



DR. STONE

STORY BY RIICHIRO INAGAKI

ART BY BOICHI



BOICHI

Dr. Stone received the Shogakukan Manga Award in the Shonen category. Thank you, Inagaki Sensei. My other series, *Origin*, won the Grand Prize in the Manga division at the Japan Media Arts Festival. Thank you everyone, truly. I'll keep doing all I can to live up to these honors.

(Meaning, I'll keep on drawing!)



RIICHIRO INAGAKI

For research purposes, I took a ride in a hot-air balloon! In the lower left of the picture above, you can see a rope tying the balloon down, but during the actual flight, we were unanchored and soaring really high.

The basket was much shorter than I expected, so you really feel like it's just your body that's up in the clouds. It's a bizarre sensation. I recommend it.

Boichi is a Korean-born artist currently living and working in Japan. His previous works include *Sun-Ken Rock* and *Terra Formars Asimov*.

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DR. STONE is rated T for Teen and is recommended for ages 13 and up. This volume contains fantasy violence.



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**WINGS OF
HUMANITY**

DR. STONE

STORY **RIICHIRO INAGAKI**

ART **BOICHI**

STORY

Every human on earth is turned to stone by a mysterious phenomenon, including high school student Taiju. Nearly 3,700 years later, Taiju awakens and finds his friend Senku, who revived a bit earlier. Together, they vow to restore civilization, but Tsukasa, once considered the strongest high schooler alive, nearly kills Senku in order to put a stop to his scientific plans.

After being secretly revived by his friends, Senku arrives at a village and wins the villagers' trust thanks to his scientific knowledge. But when word of Senku's survival gets back to Tsukasa, the war between the two forces begins!

The Kingdom of Science is now in the final battle against the Tsukasa Empire for the miracle cave! The kingdom's tank gives them an edge, which they parlay into a ceasefire deal with Tsukasa and Hyoga. As part of the agreement, Senku promises to revive Tsukasa's little sister Mirai. However, Tsukasa is stabbed through the chest by the traitorous Hyoga.



YUZURIHA



UKYO



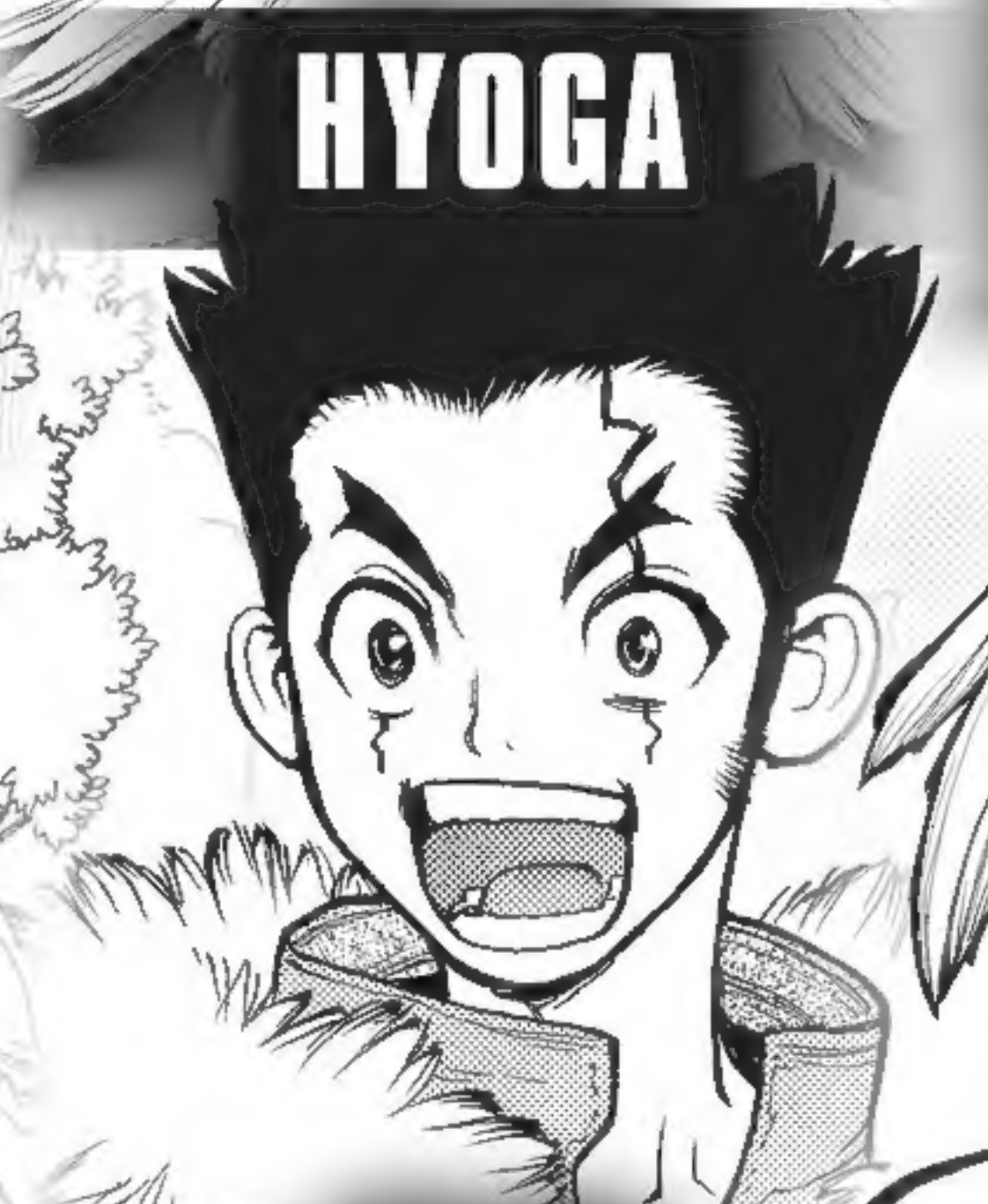
MIRAI



HYOGA



TSUKASA



TAIJU



GEN ASAGIRI

CHARACTERS

An experienced, agile warrior who's as strong as any man. She's quite possibly the strongest person in the village.



KOHAKU



SENKU

A young man with prodigious knowledge and a passion for science. He's now leading his Kingdom of Science. His catchphrase is "Get excited!"

A clever and honest guy with more curiosity than he knows what to do with. Now that Senku's opened his eyes to science, he's ready to go as far as that path takes him.

CHROME

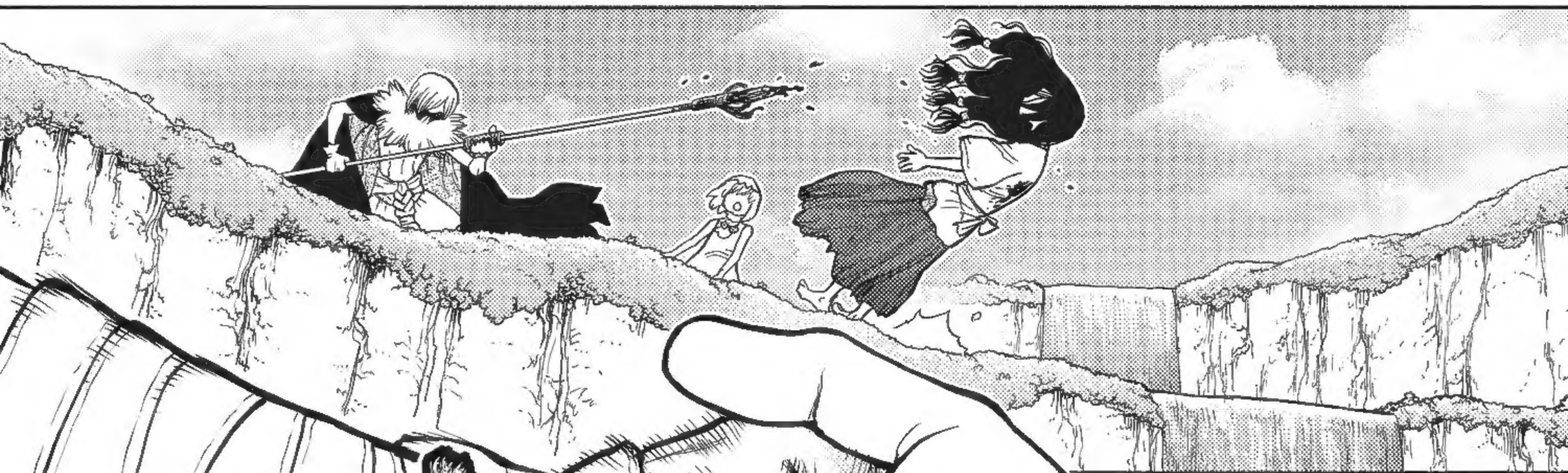
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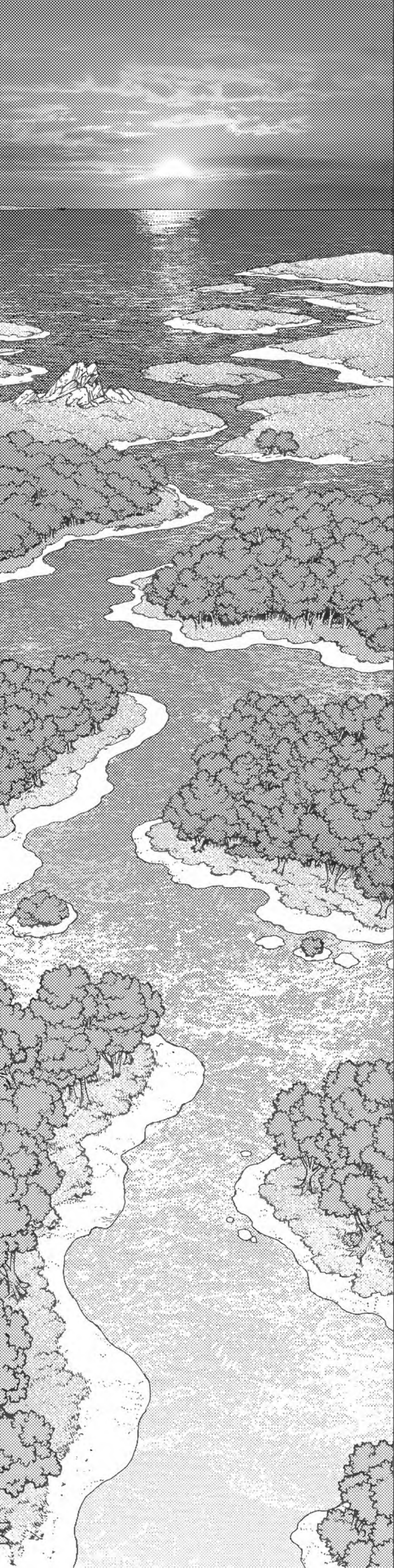
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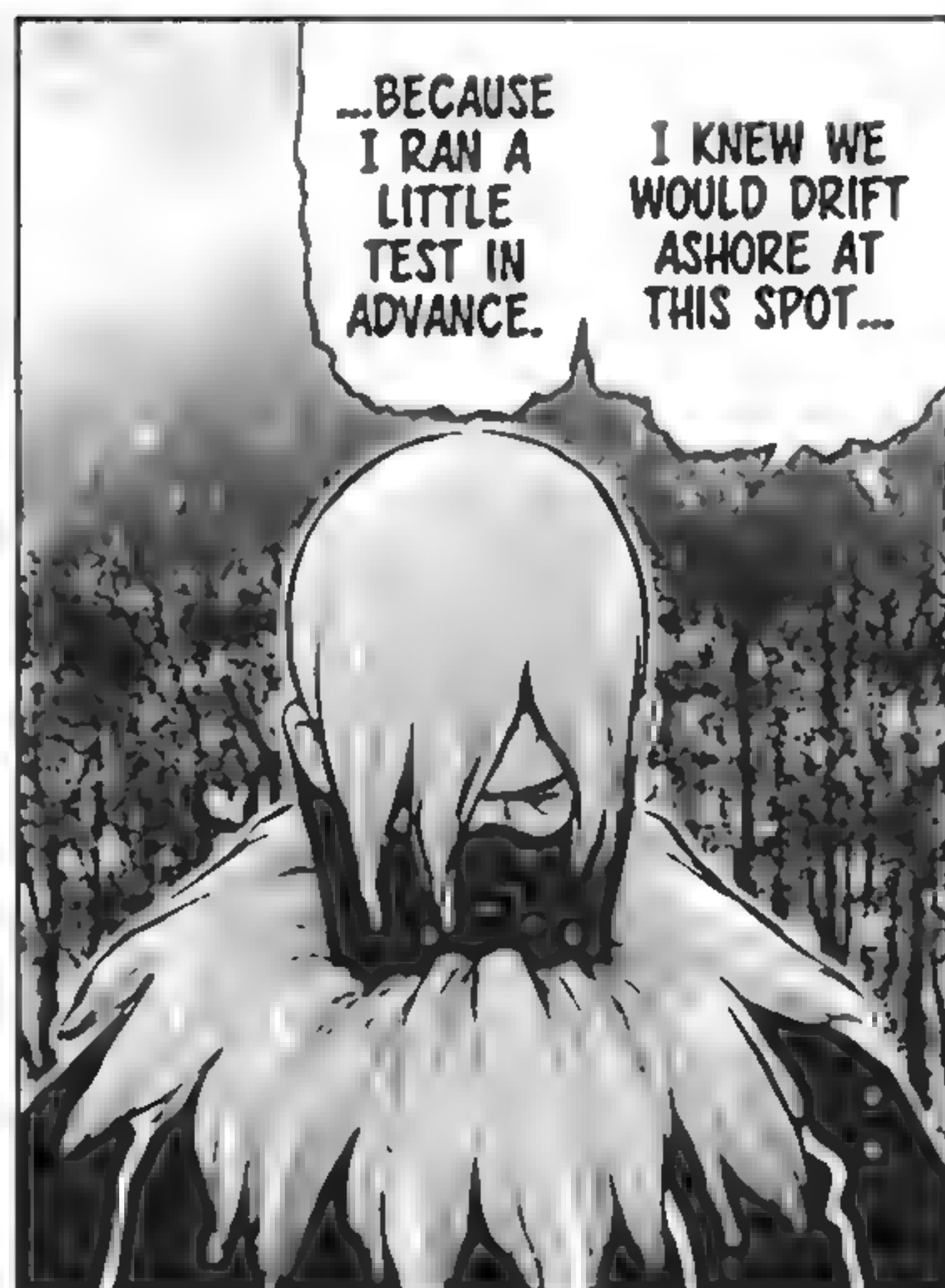
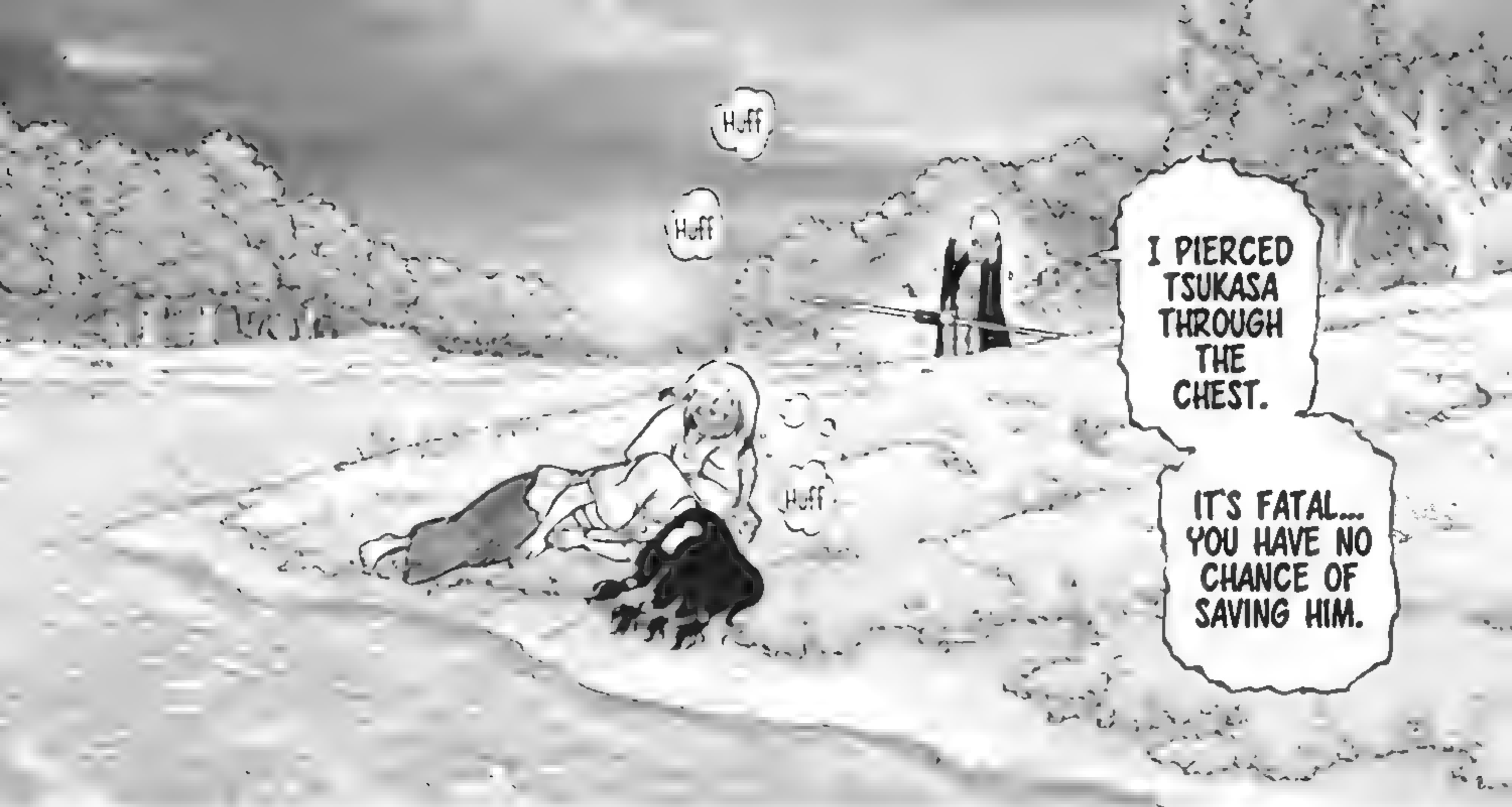
Z=80: Humanity's Strongest Tag Team













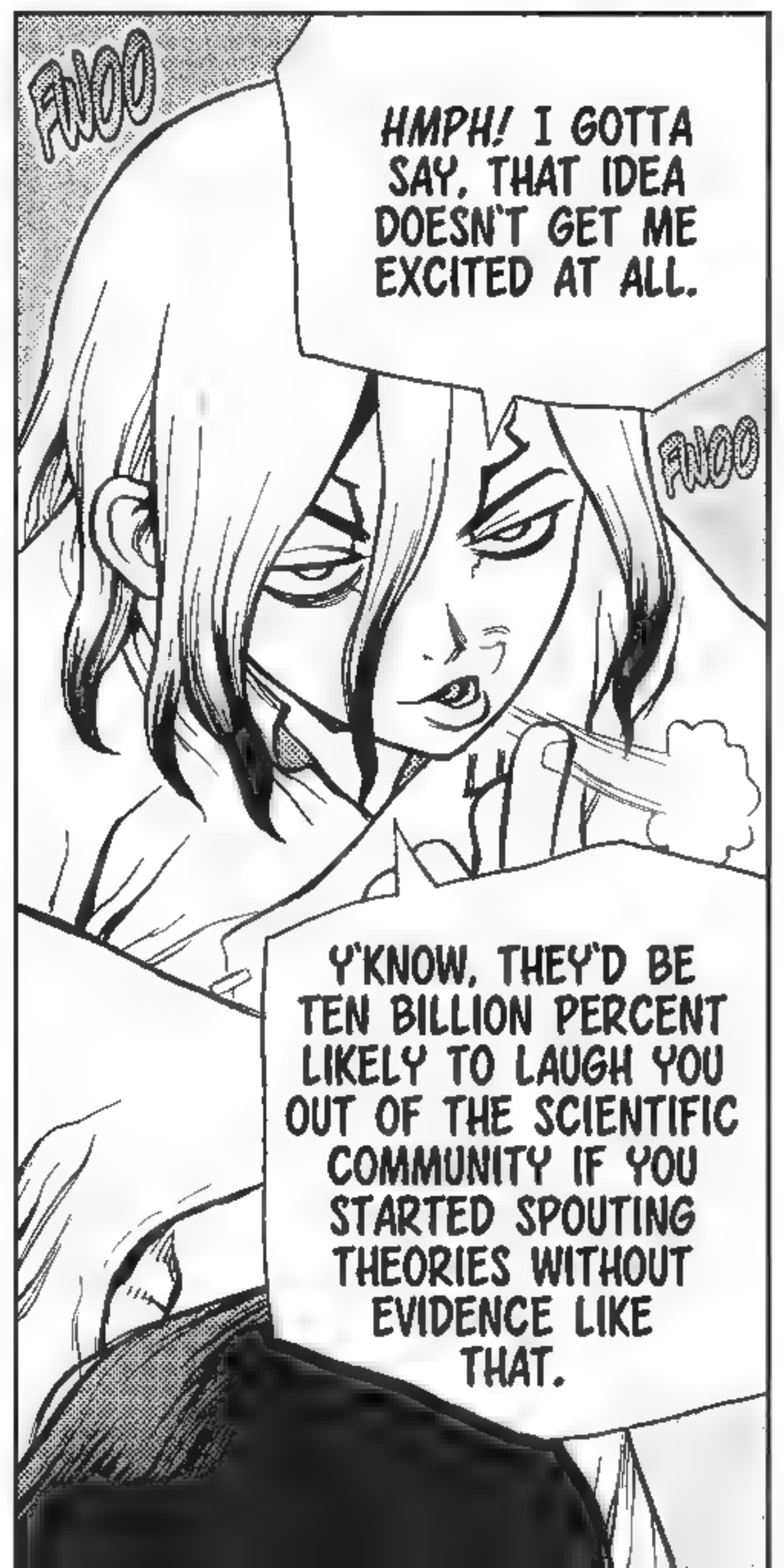
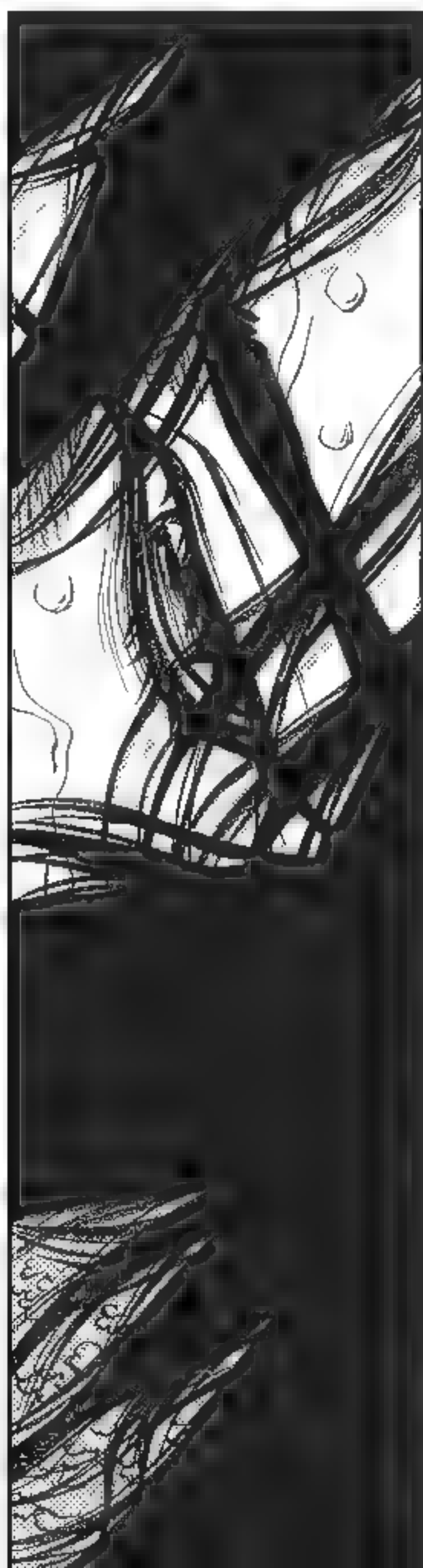


...WAS
DESIGNED...

WE BOTH
BELIEVED
THAT THE
PETRIFICATION
THAT BEFELL
OUR SPECIES...

...THOUSANDS
OF YEARS
AGO...

...TO CULL
HUMANITY!
TO THIN
THE HERD!



HMPH! I GOTTA
SAY, THAT IDEA
DOESN'T GET ME
EXCITED AT ALL.

Y'KNOW, THEY'D BE
TEN BILLION PERCENT
LIKELY TO LAUGH YOU
OUT OF THE SCIENTIFIC
COMMUNITY IF YOU
STARTED SPOUTING
THEORIES WITHOUT
EVIDENCE LIKE
THAT.



WE'LL
PRIORITIZE
YOUNG LIVES,
WITH THEIR
FUTURES
AHEAD OF
THEM.

WHAT DO
YOU SAY,
HYOGA?

THIS IS OUR
CHANCE TO
CREATE A
NEW WORLD
ORDER!!

AT THE SAME
TIME, WE'LL
ELIMINATE
THE RICH AND
POWERFUL,
WHO FED OFF
THE POOR.



SKF

WHAT OUR
HIGH-
MINDED
TSUKASA
SOUGHT...

AS FOR ME?
I COULDN'T
CARE LESS
FOR SUCH AN
IDEALISTIC
FANTASY.

...WAS A
UTOPIA
WHERE
NOBODY
TOOK FROM
ANYONE
ELSE.

THE EARTH
CAN'T
SUPPORT...


...A
POPULATION
OF SEVEN
BILLION.



ENOUGH
OF THIS
BANTER,
SENKU.

AFTER ALL,
YOU MUST BE
AWARE OF
THE TRUTH.

SO WHO
GETS TO
LIVE?



NO... WHAT
WE NEED
IS A TRUE
CULLING!!

...WOULD
EVENTUALLY
MEAN THEY
NEED TAKING
CARE OF... THEY
WOULD TAKE
FROM US.

WHY?
BECAUSE
REVIVING
INCOMPETENT
FOOLS...



...ONLY
SUPERIOR
SPECIMENS
ARE
MEANT TO
SURVIVE!!

IN THIS
NEW
WORLD...



...IT
DOESN'T
GET ME
EXCITED.

AND YET...



AND THE GREAT
PETRIFICATION
GRANTED
HUMANITY
THIS IDEAL
CHANCE!

SURE...
IT'S BEYOND
LOGICAL.

NO MORE
ORDINARY
PEOPLE TO
DEAL WITH!

IT'S ONLY
LOGICAL,
YES?!



IF THE
EARTH
CAN'T
SUPPORT
SEVEN
BILLION...

...THEN
ALL SEVEN
BILLION
OF US...

...JUST HAVE
TO FIGURE
OUT A WAY!

THAT'S
HOW
SCIENCE
WORKS!!



AND IF GIVEN
ENOUGH TIME, I
KNOW YOU CAN
CREATE MORE
NITRIC ACID.

INDEED,
SENKU.

YOUR
SCIENCE IS
MAGNIFI-
CENT!



SHK



YOU
AND I,
SENKU...

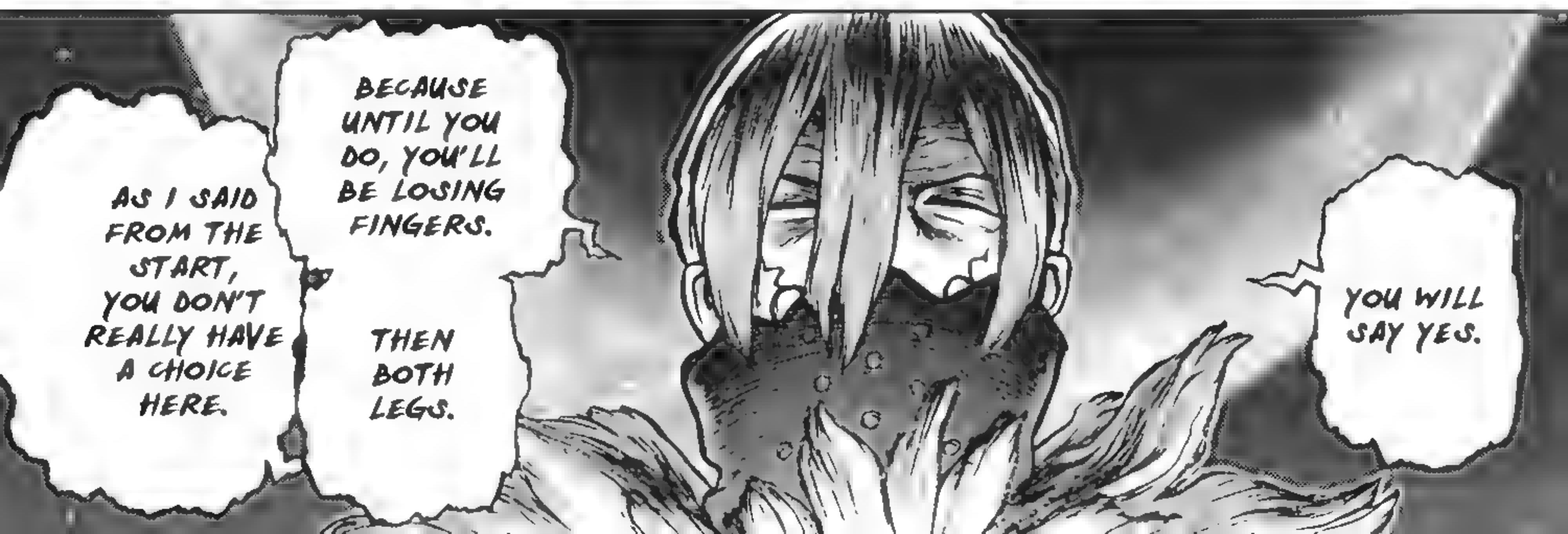
THE
ULTIMATE
TAG TEAM!!

LET'S
RULE THIS
WORLD...

...AND
THIN THE
RANKS OF
HUMANITY!



SHK

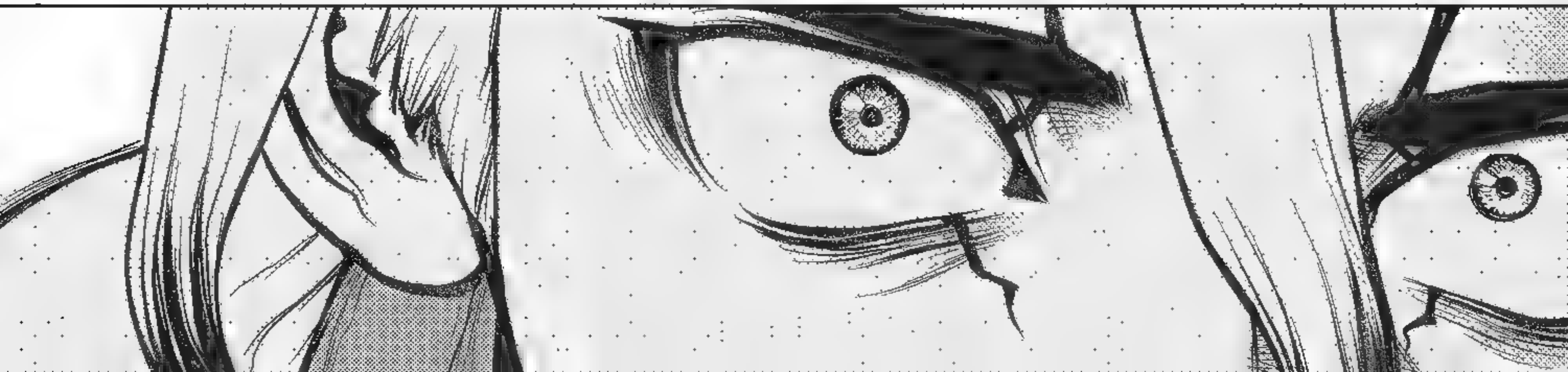


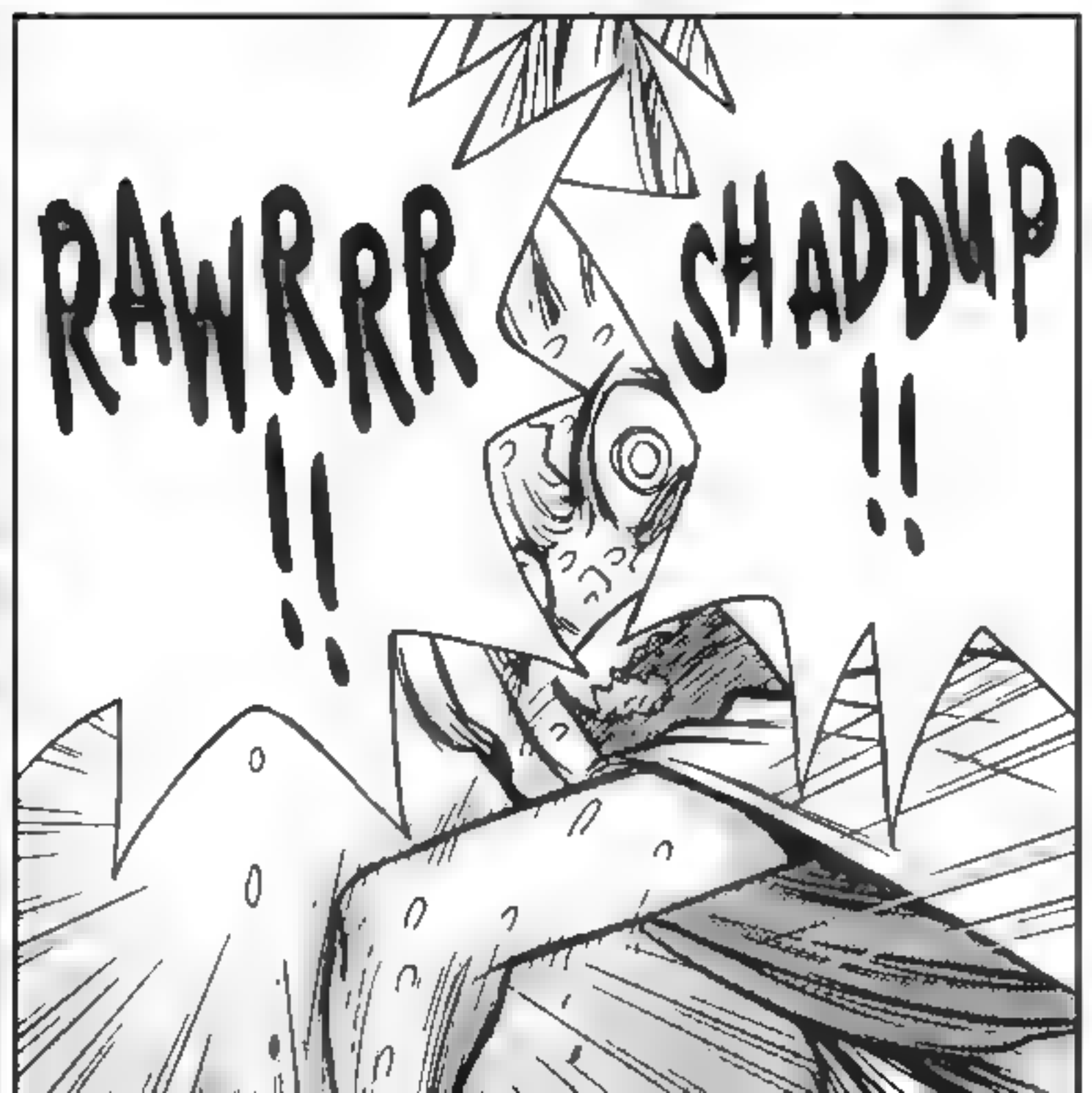
AS I SAID
FROM THE
START,
YOU DON'T
REALLY HAVE
A CHOICE
HERE.

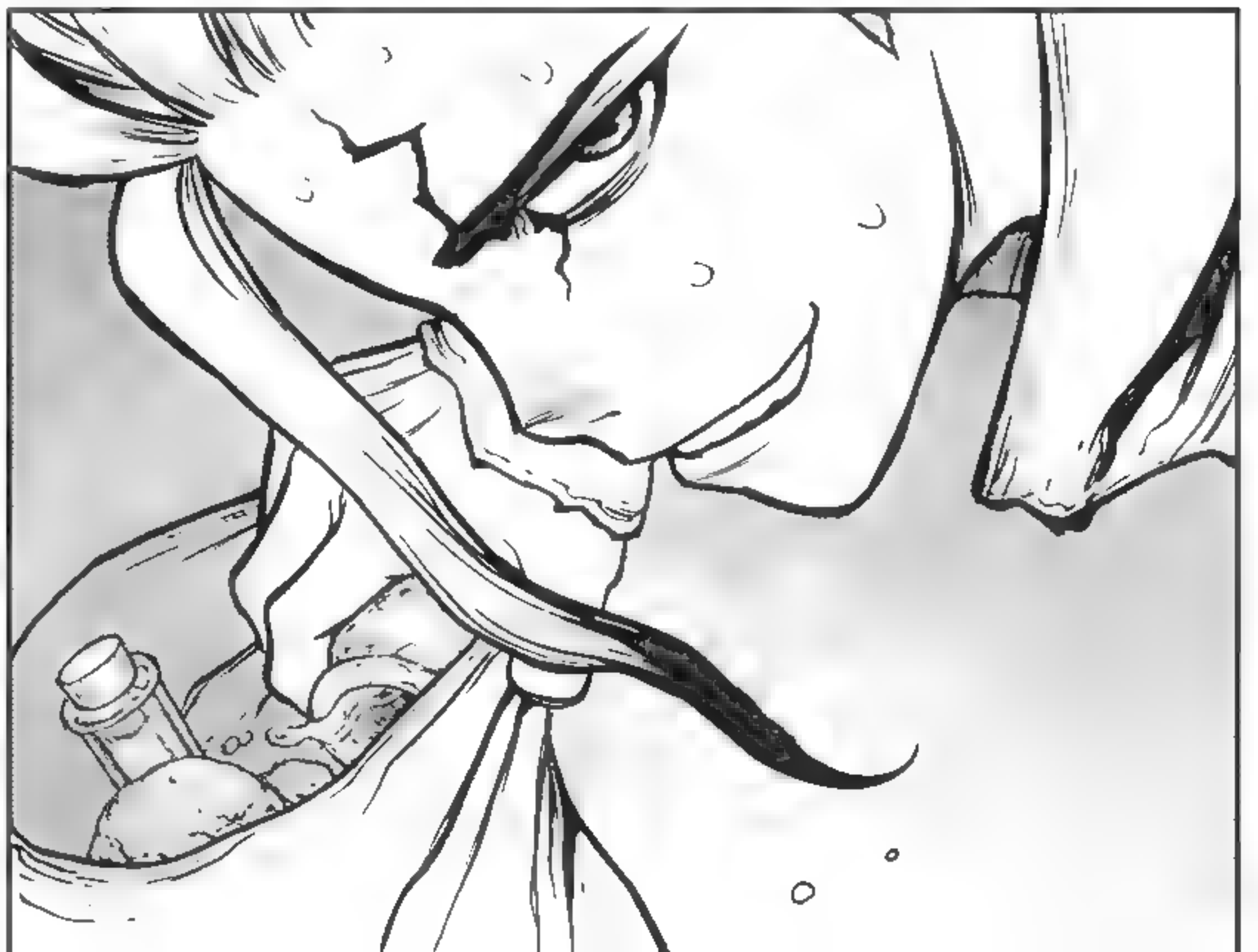
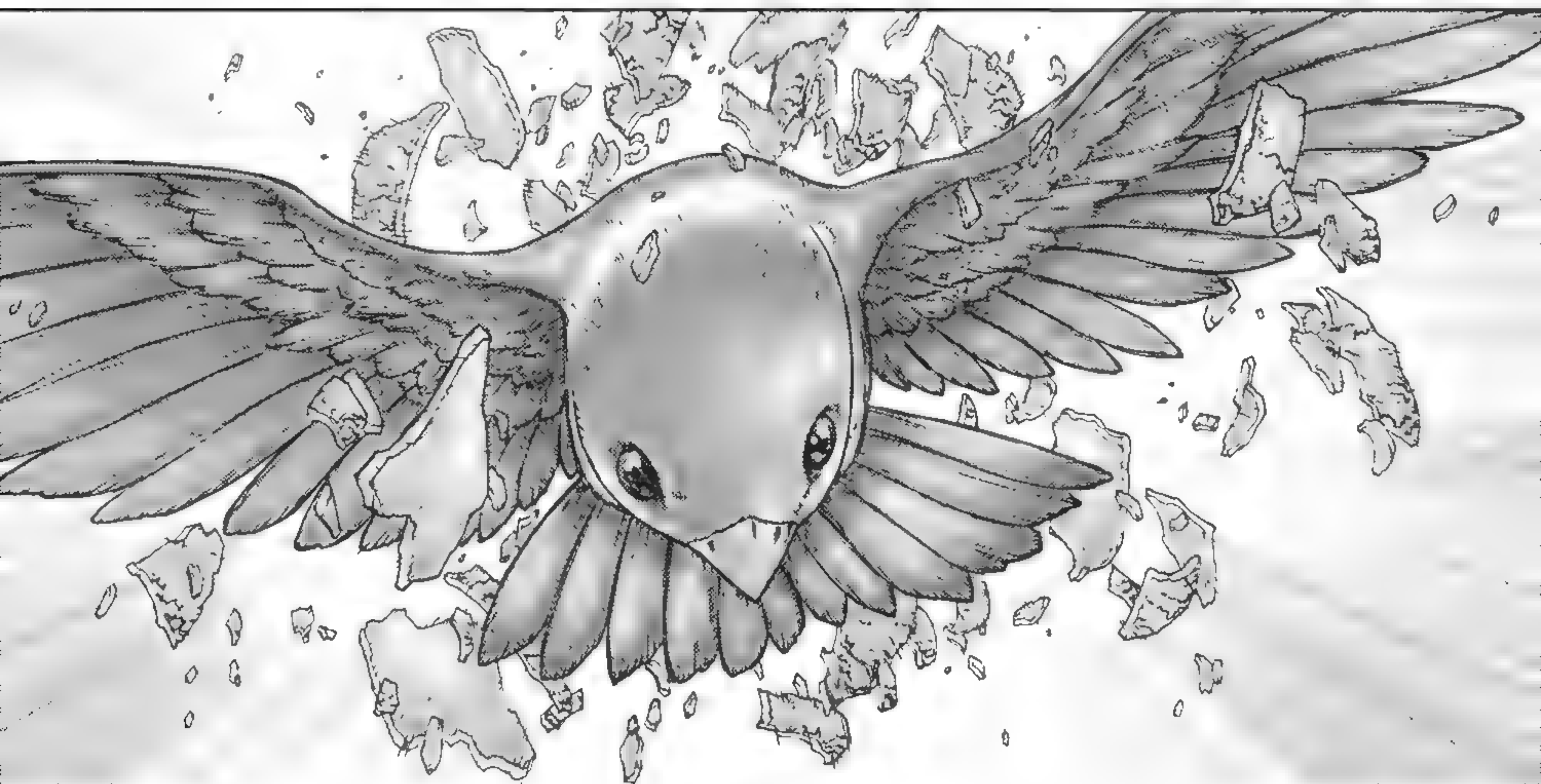
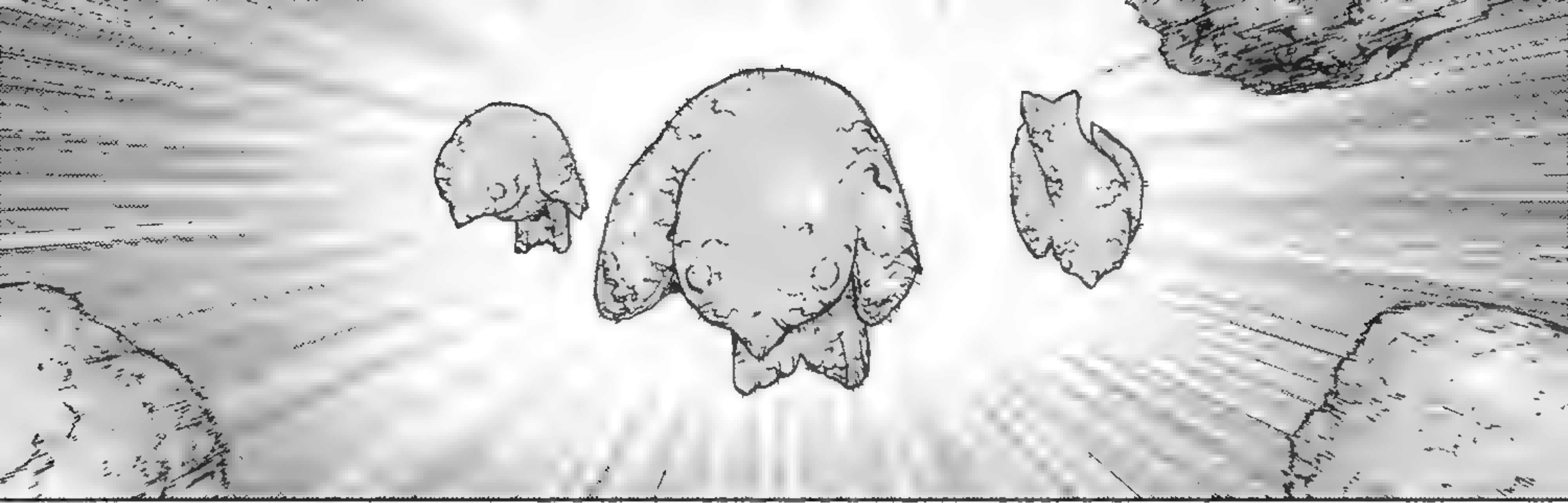
BECAUSE
UNTIL YOU
DO, YOU'LL
BE LOSING
FINGERS.

THEN
BOTH
LEGS.

YOU WILL
SAY YES.











A black and white manga panel. In the background, Vegeta stands with his signature spiky hair, wearing a gi with a 'V' emblem, and holding a small object in his fist. In the foreground, a woman with long dark hair in two pigtails is shown from the chest up, looking down with a determined expression. She is wearing a light-colored, short-sleeved dress with a ruffled hem. The background is a simple landscape with trees and a field.

**YOU'LL
NEVER BE
IN DANGER
AGAIN!**

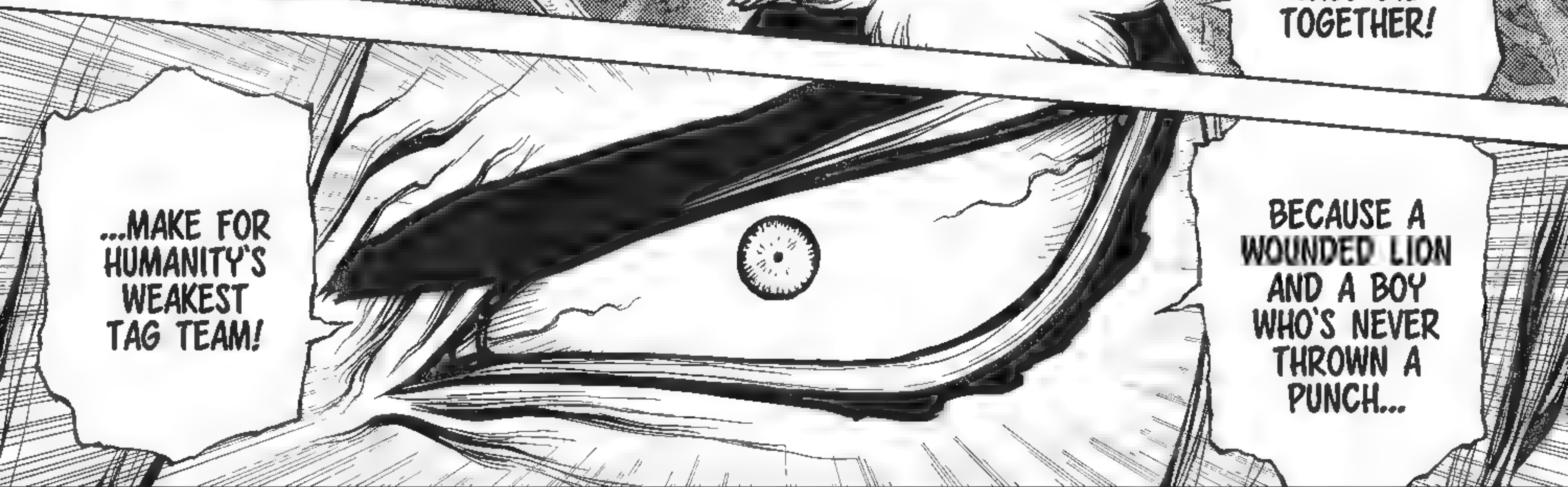
**THIS TIME
I MEAN
IT!!**

**FROM
NOW
ON...**

**...I'LL
DO THE
FIGHTING!!**



THEN THE
TWO OF YOU
WILL DIE
TOGETHER!

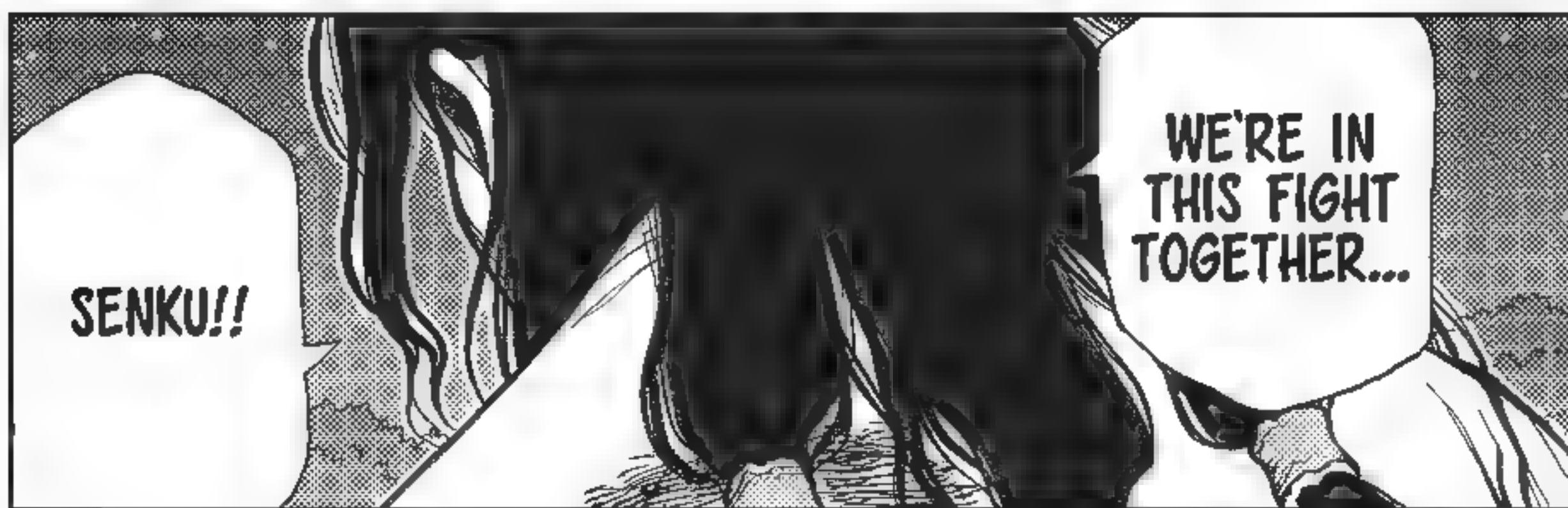


...MAKE FOR
HUMANITY'S
WEAKEST
TAG TEAM!

BECAUSE A
WOUNDED LION
AND A BOY
WHO'S NEVER
THROWN A
PUNCH...



YEAH...



SENKU!!

WE'RE IN
THIS FIGHT
TOGETHER...



...AND YOUR
STRENGTH!

MY
SCIENCE...

NOW THIS
GETS ME
EXCITED!!





...THE
TITLE OF
STRONGEST
PRIMATE NOW
GOES TO...

SO FAR, IN
THIS NEW
WORLD...

...TSUKASA
AND I HAVE
RULED
TOGETHER,
BUT WITH HIM
ON THE VERGE
OF DEATH...

...ME!

Z=81: Fingertip



WHICH IS
WHY...

YEP.
GUESS
SO...

...
ESPECIALLY
IF YOU AGREE
WITH HIM.
TSUKASA.

HOPING
TO BREAK
MY SPIRIT,
HYOGA?

BUT
LOGICALLY
SPEAKING,
IT'S TRUE.

...TO TAKE
YOU DOWN
WITH
SCIENCE
AND
STRENGTH!!

TSUKASA
AND I ARE
TEAMING
UP...

**Z=81:
Fingertip**

I'M AFRAID I
WON'T SIT IDLY
BY WHILE YOU
DO SO...

ARE YOU
STALLING FOR
TIME SO YOU
CAN DISCUSS
STRATEGY?

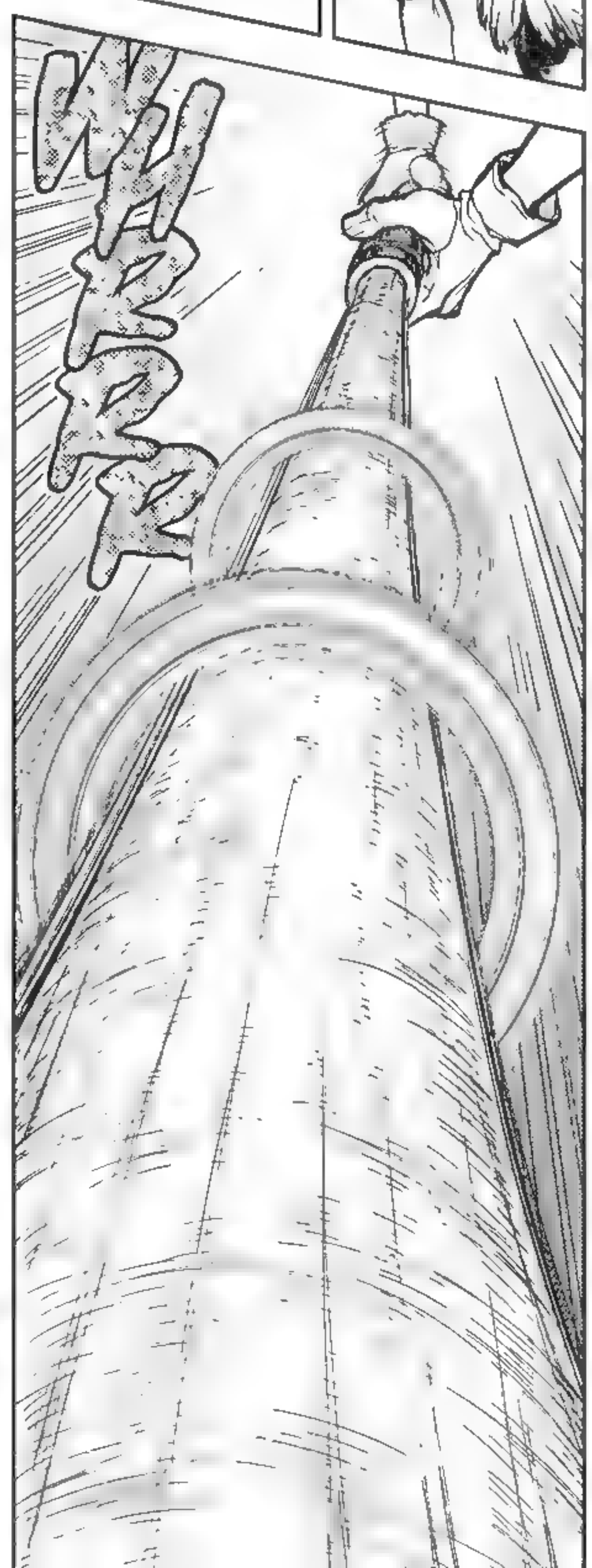




**ELEVEN
O'CLOCK
!!**









HEH HEH
HEH... NOT
EVEN TAKING
A BREATHER
BEFORE
COMING TO
CRUSH ME.



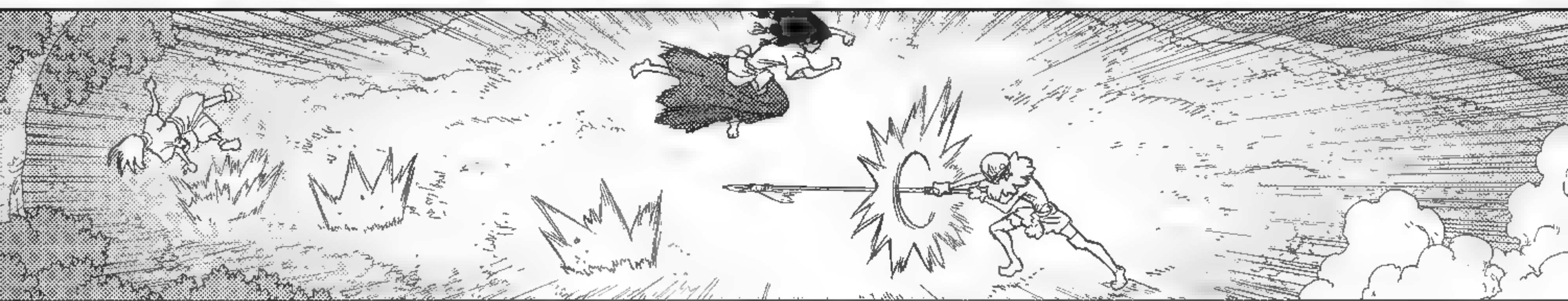
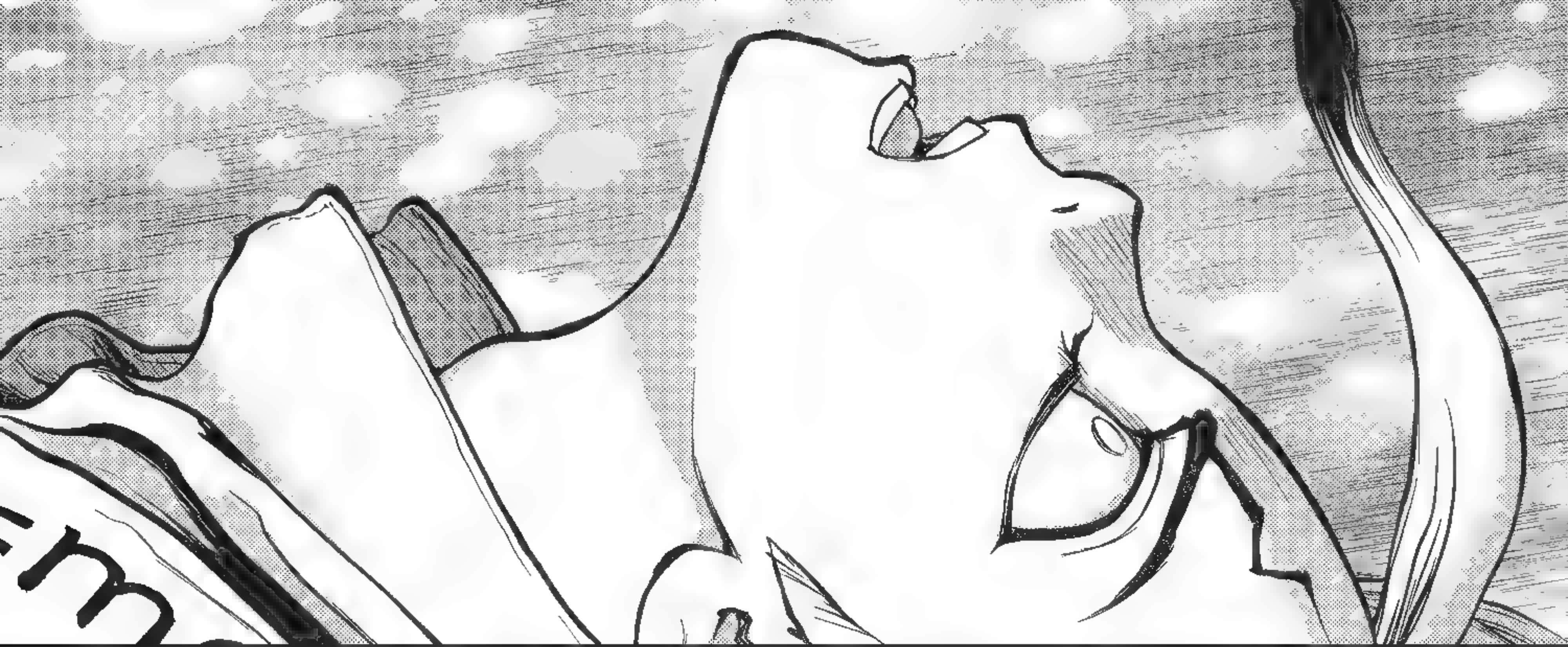
...TO TAKE
YOU OUT
WITH JUST
ONE TOUCH
FROM MY
FINGERTIP!

I'M GONNA
USE
SCIENCE...



A FOOLISH
BLUFF LIKE
THAT WOULD
ONLY WORK...

...ON YOUR
PRIMITIVE
PALS, SENKU.





SO WHY
DO YOU
STRUGGLE
IN VAIN...

...WHEN
YOUR
DEATH...

...IS
ALREADY
INEVITABLE
?

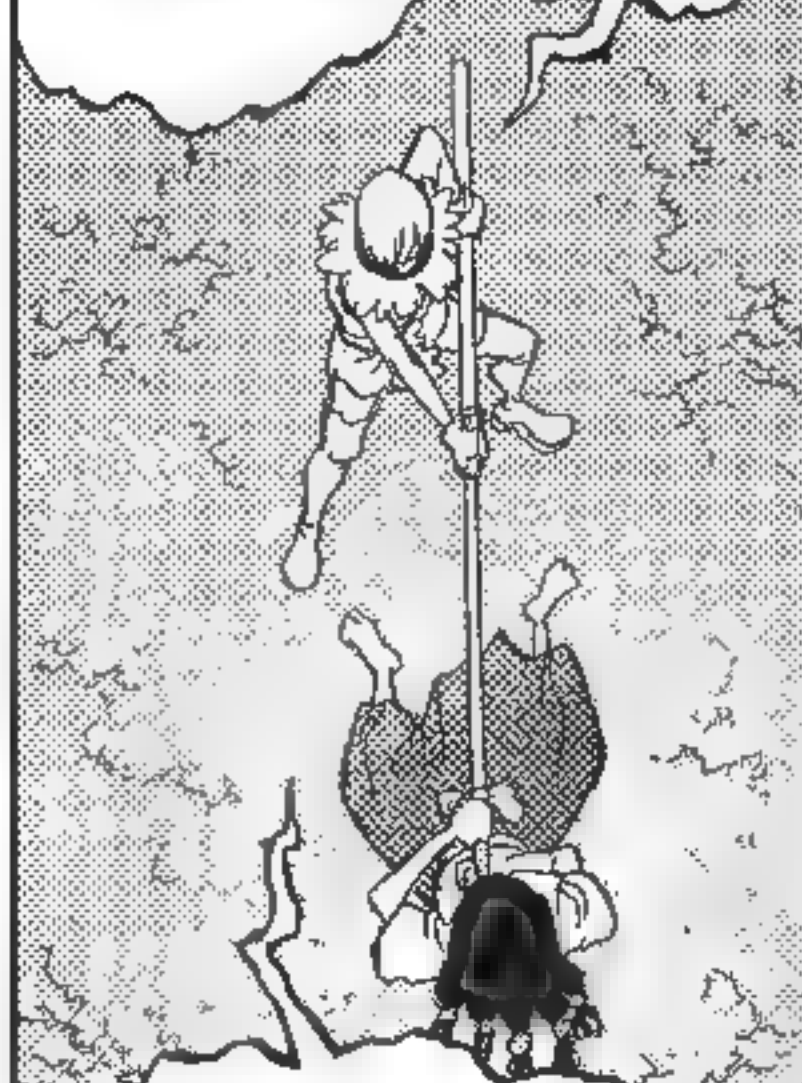


I KNOW.

YES...

THOUGH
I EXPECT
YOU KNEW
THAT
FROM
THE
START.

YOU'RE
NO
MATCH
FOR ME
NOW,
TSUKASA.



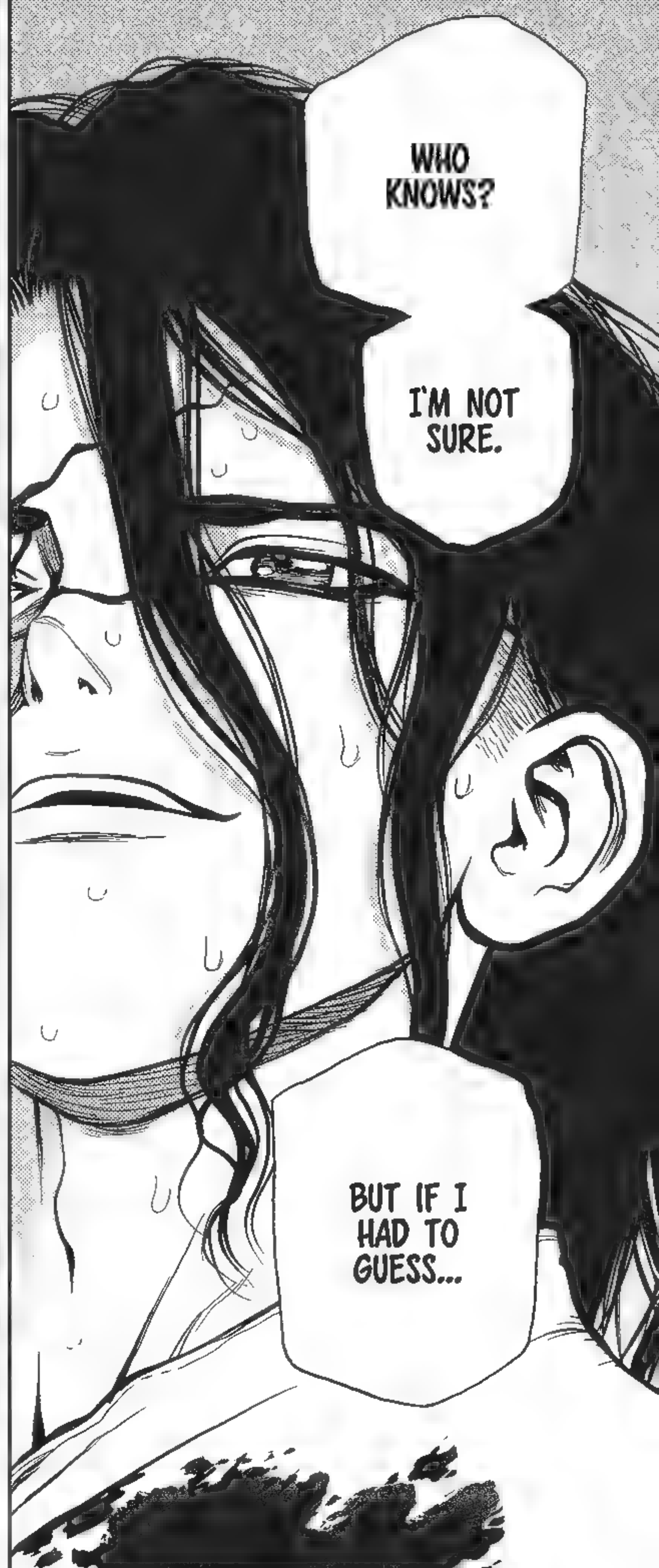
THE HOLE
I PUT IN
YOUR LUNG
IS SURELY
FATAL.





THAT'S...

IT'S BECAUSE
I WANT
TO KEEP
FIGHTING,
EVEN IF IT'S
JUST FOR
ONE MINUTE
LONGER.



WHO
KNOWS?

I'M NOT
SURE.

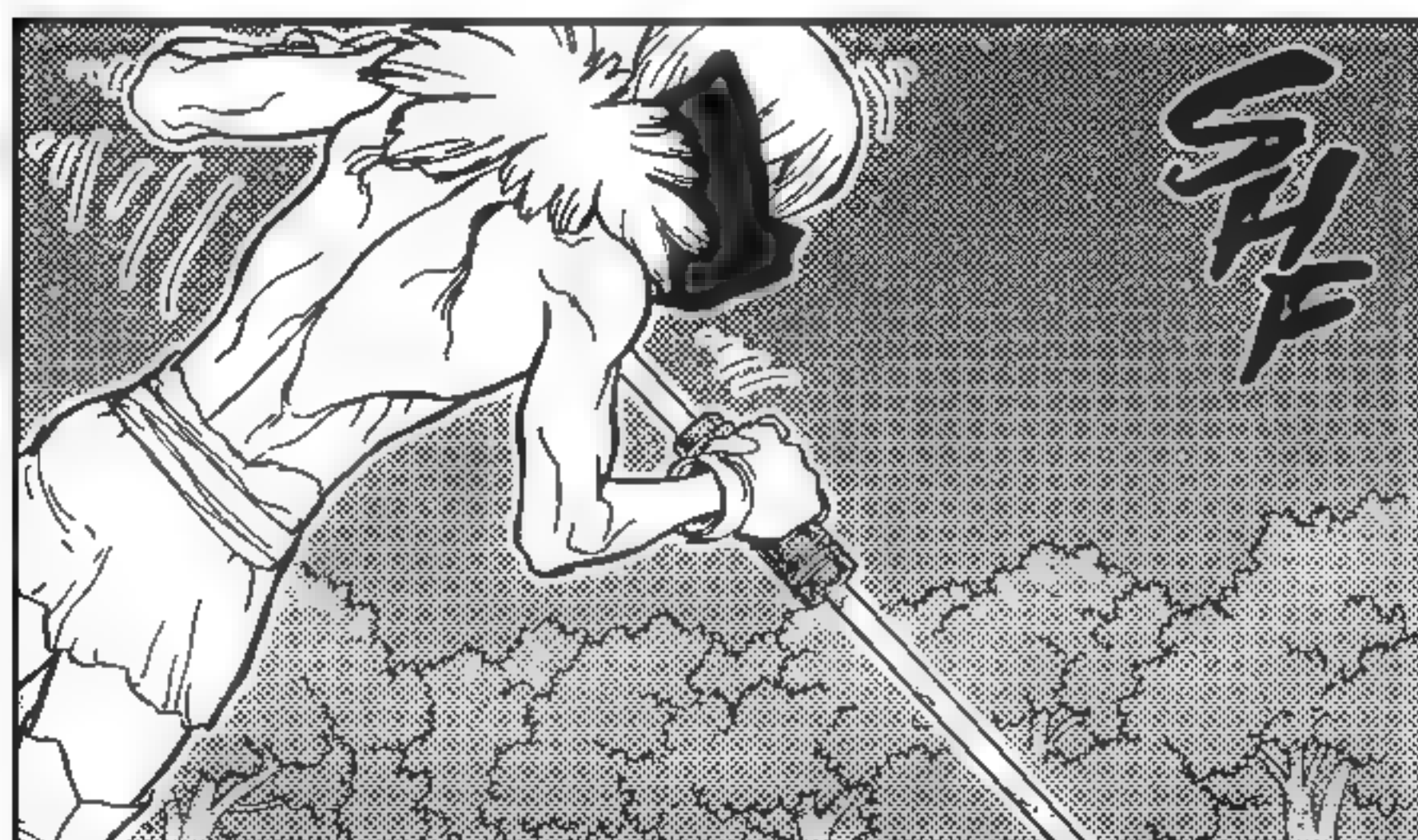
BUT IF I
HAD TO
GUESS...

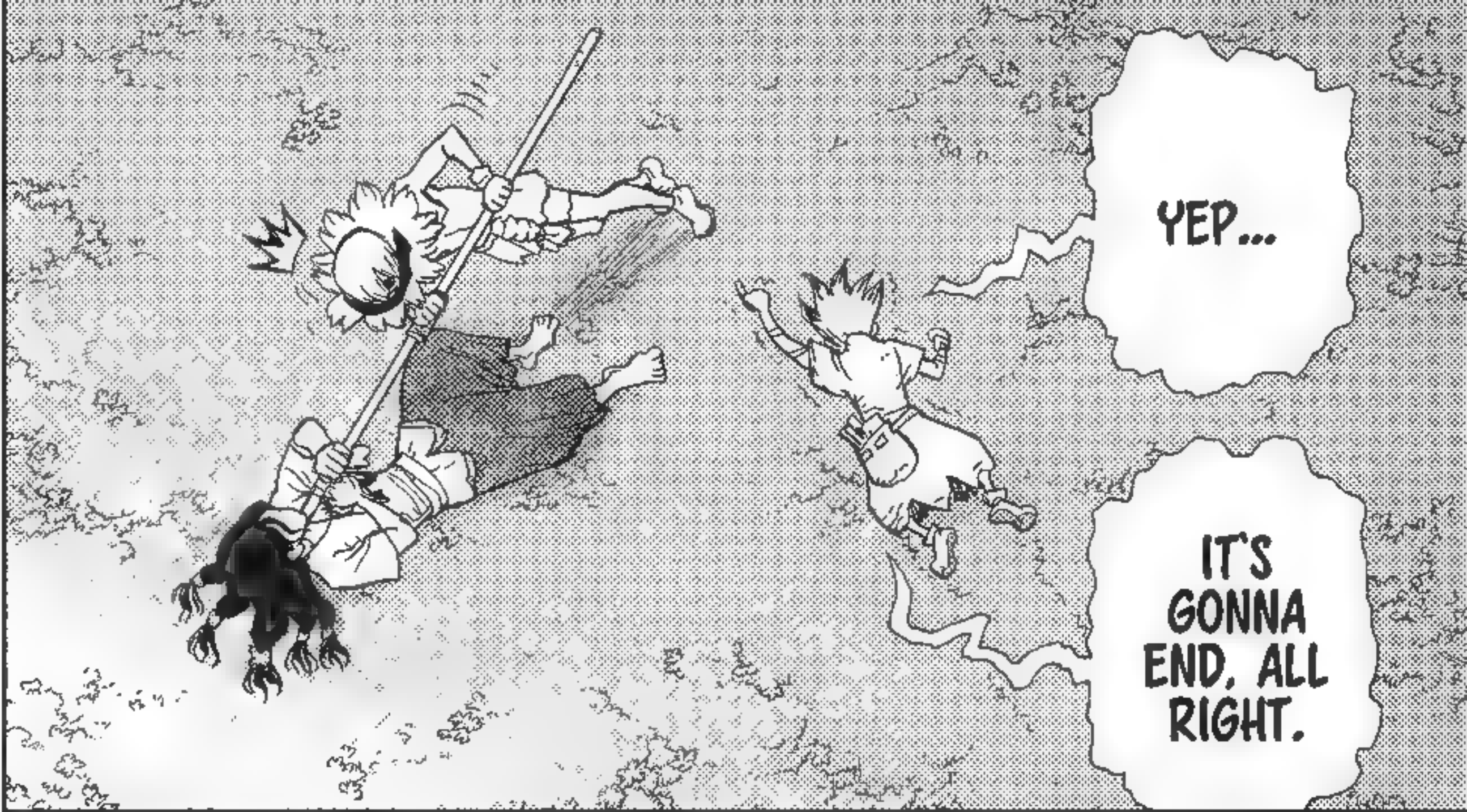
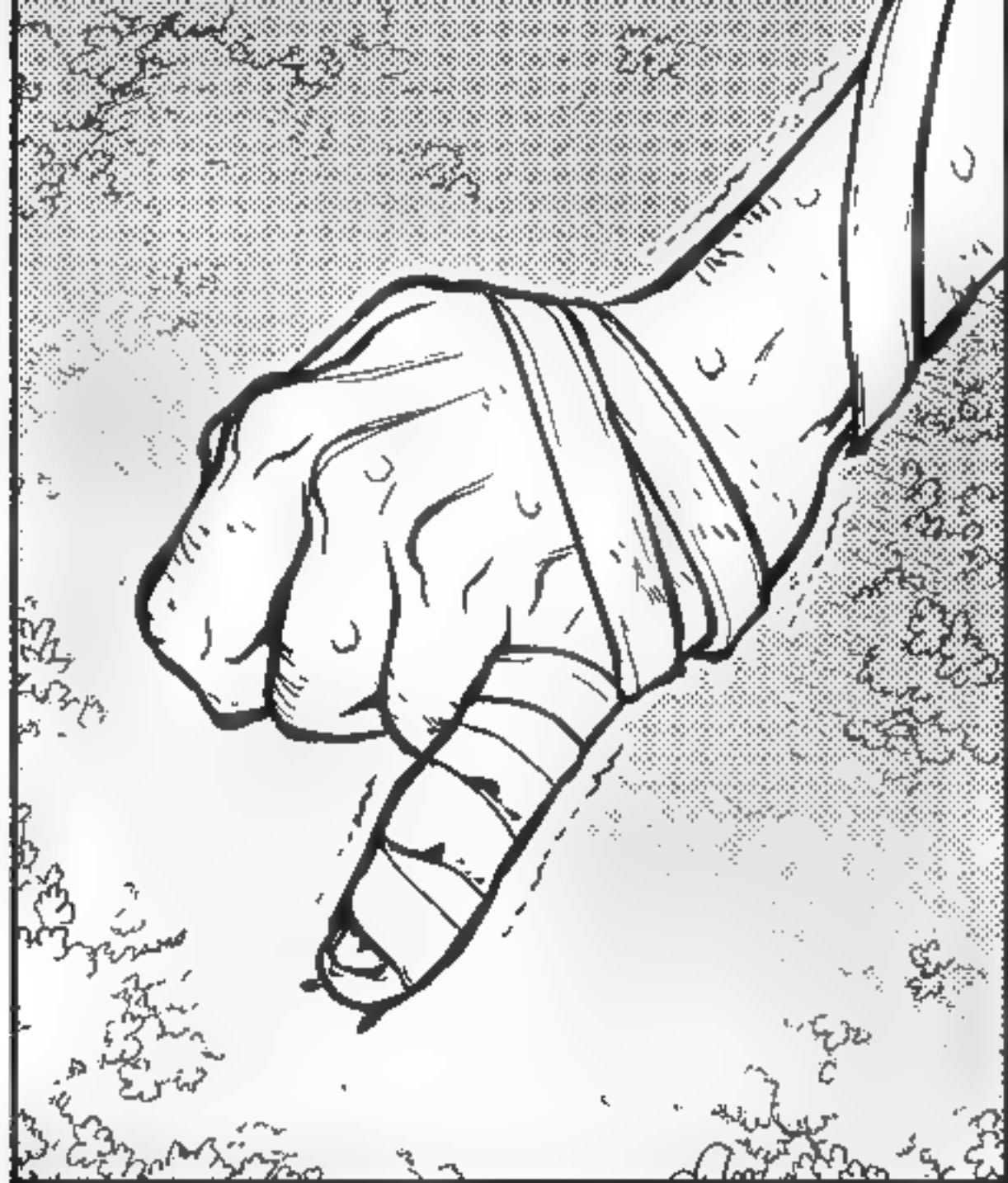


THIS
FINAL...

...FLEETING
PARTNERSHIP.

...HOW FUN
THIS IS.





YEP...

IT'S
GONNA
END, ALL
RIGHT.



BANDAGES...

...ON HIS
FINGERTIP?

THE ONE
I CUT?

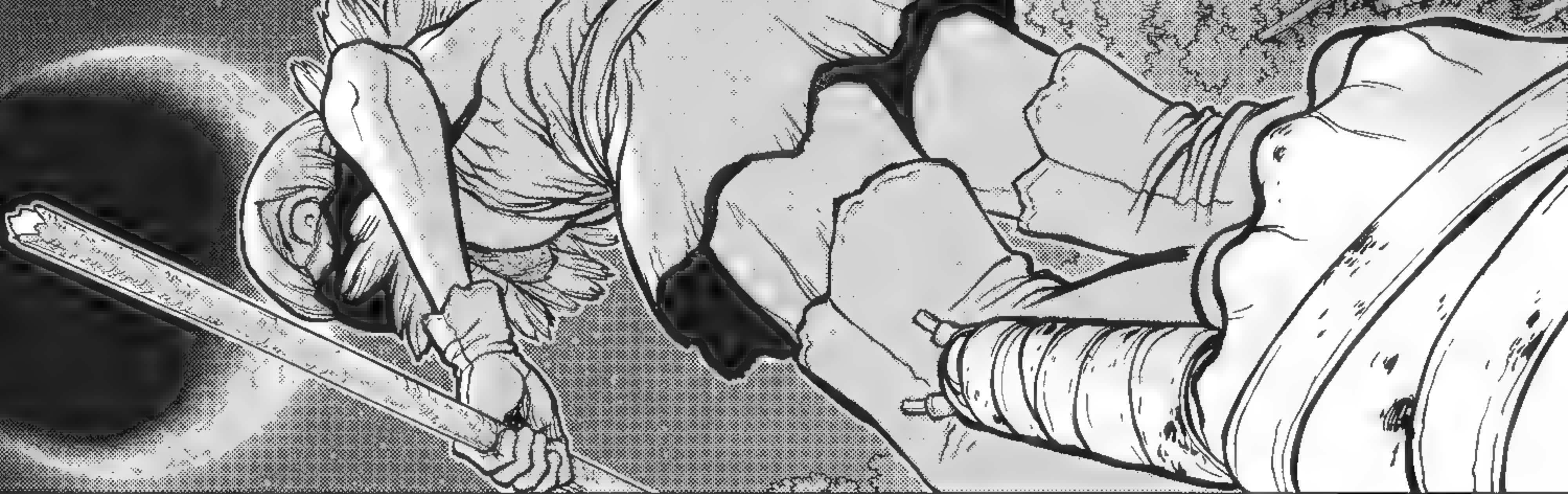


LIKE I
SAID, MY
SCIENCE...

...IS
GONNA
KNOCK
YOU
OUT...

...WITH JUST
ONE TOUCH
FROM MY
FINGER.

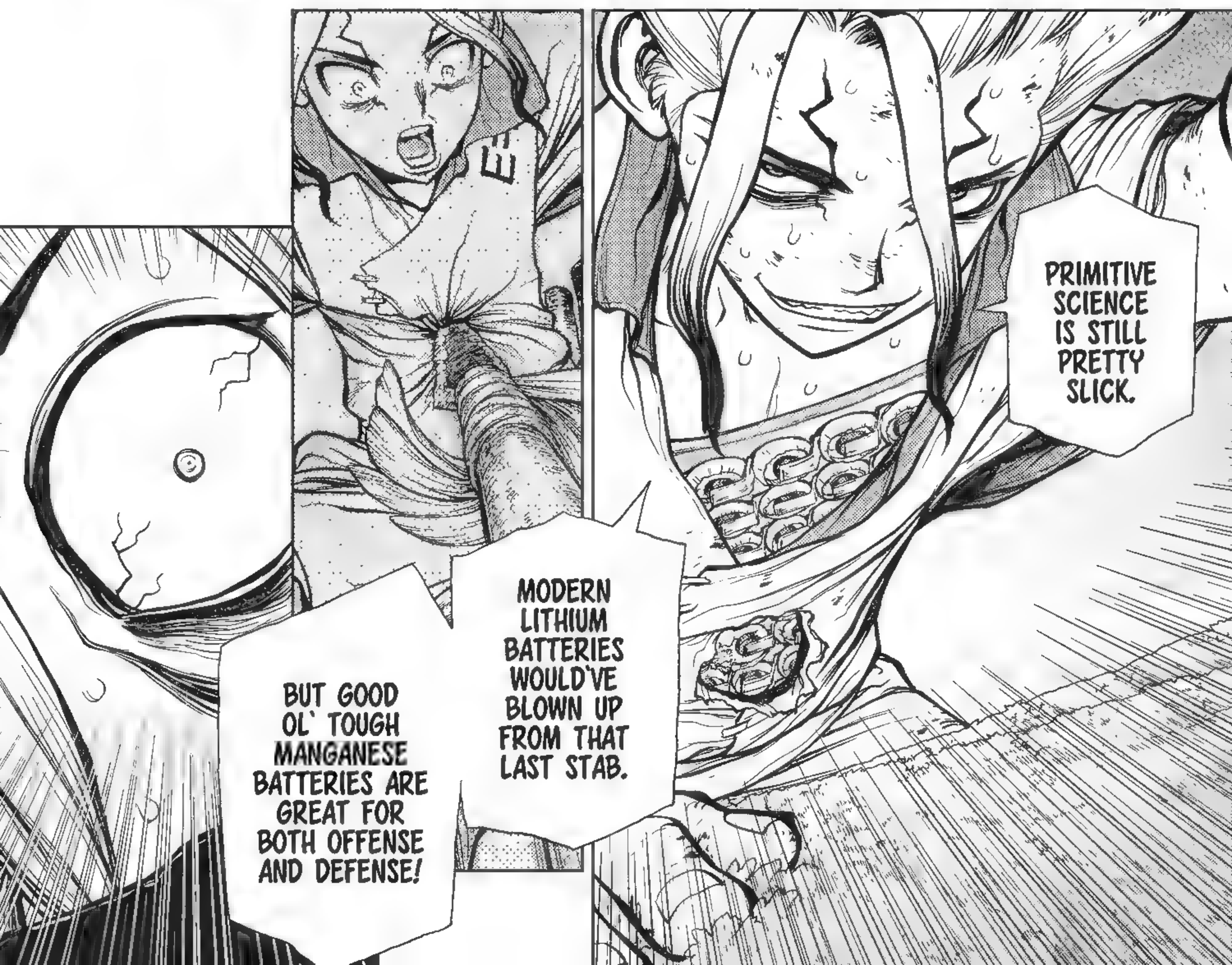
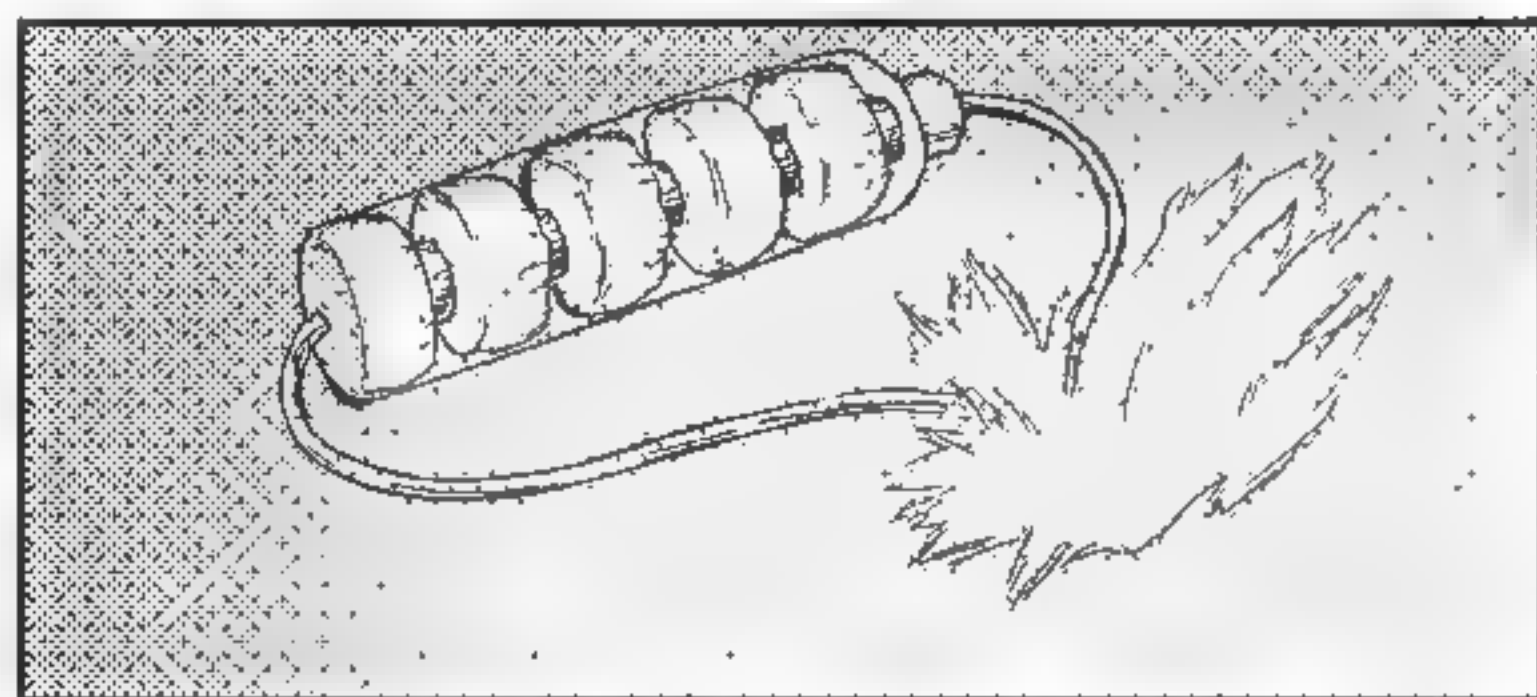
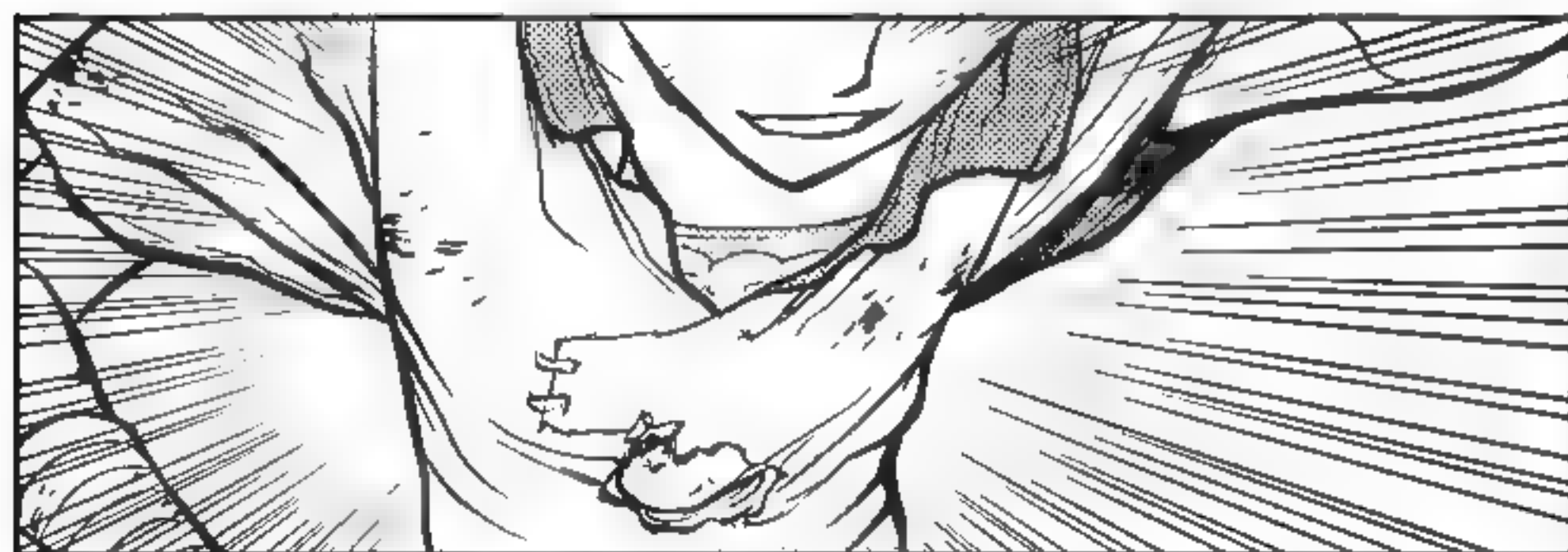




...SO FAST?

HOW DID HE IGNITE THEM...

RIGHT. THE FLAMES, EARLIER...



PRIMITIVE SCIENCE IS STILL PRETTY SLICK.

MODERN LITHIUM BATTERIES WOULD'VE BLOWN UP FROM THAT LAST STAB.

BUT GOOD OL' TOUGH MANGANESE BATTERIES ARE GREAT FOR BOTH OFFENSE AND DEFENSE!



HEH HEH
HEH... TEAMING
UP WITH YOU,
TSUKASA...

...WAS TONS
OF FUN FOR
ME, TOO!



A
100,000-
VOLT...

...STUN
GUN
ZAP!!

HERE'S
A LITTLE
SCIENTIFIC
PRESENT...

...FROM
ME AND
TSUKASA!



WARP





MECHA
SENKU

Q & A

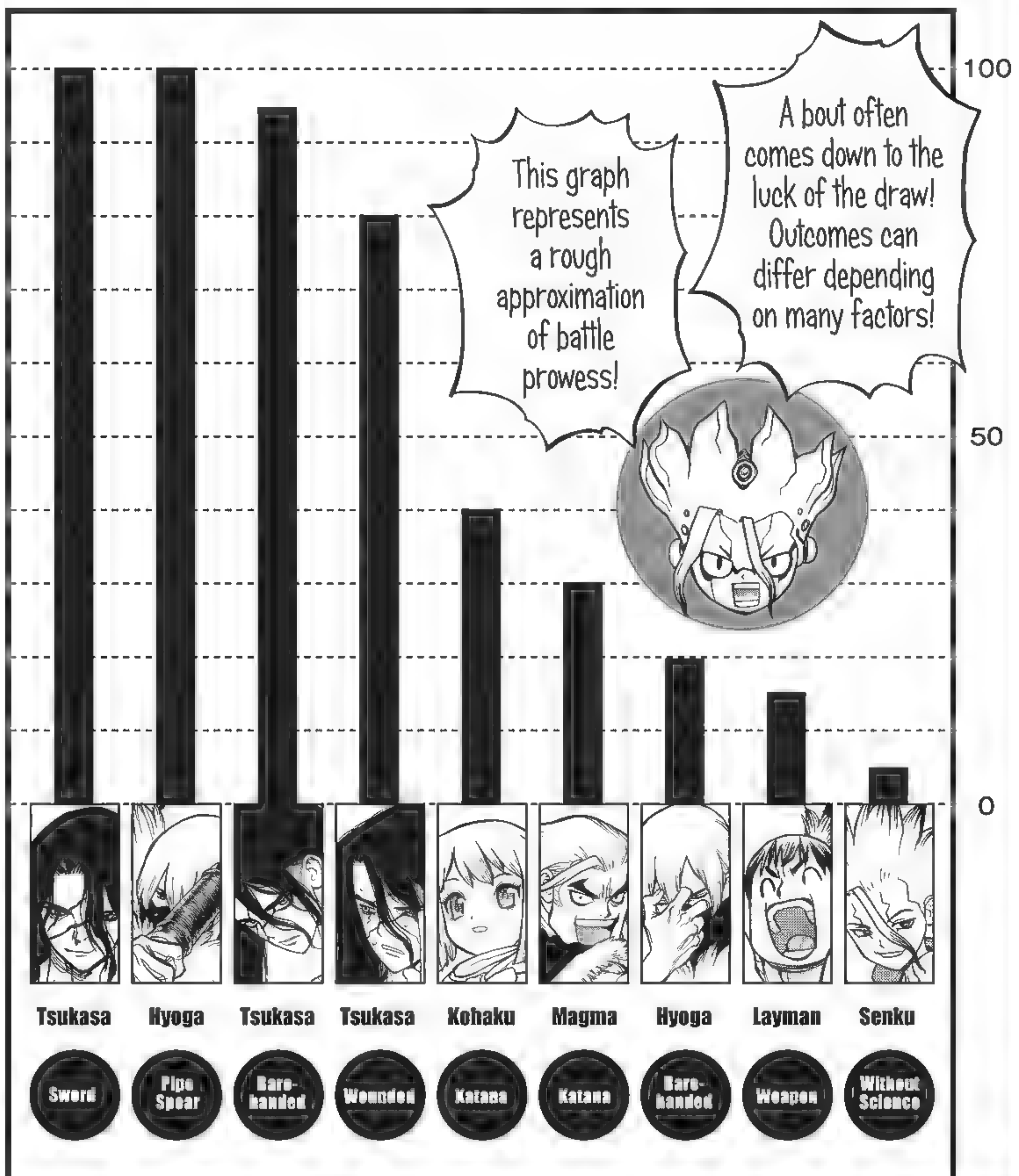
SEARCH

Question Corner

Tsukasa versus Hyoga! In a no-holds-barred fight, who would win for real?

Hanma Yuji from Fukuoka Prefecture

SEARCH





ARRRRGH!

IT'S KINDA
FUNNY,
SINCE
YOU'RE THE
ONE...

HEH
HEH HEH...
DID YOU
FORGET
ALREADY?

...WHO SO
KINDLY
PROVIDED
ME WITH
THE
MATERIALS,
HYOGA.

I JUST
NEEDED TO
HOOK UP THE
PHONE'S THIN
WIRE COILS...

...TO SOME
BATTERIES
TO MAKE
A HIGH-
VOLTAGE
TRANS-
FORMER.

FREAK-
ING...

...SCIENCE...

...OF THE
100,000-
VOLT
STUN
GUN!!

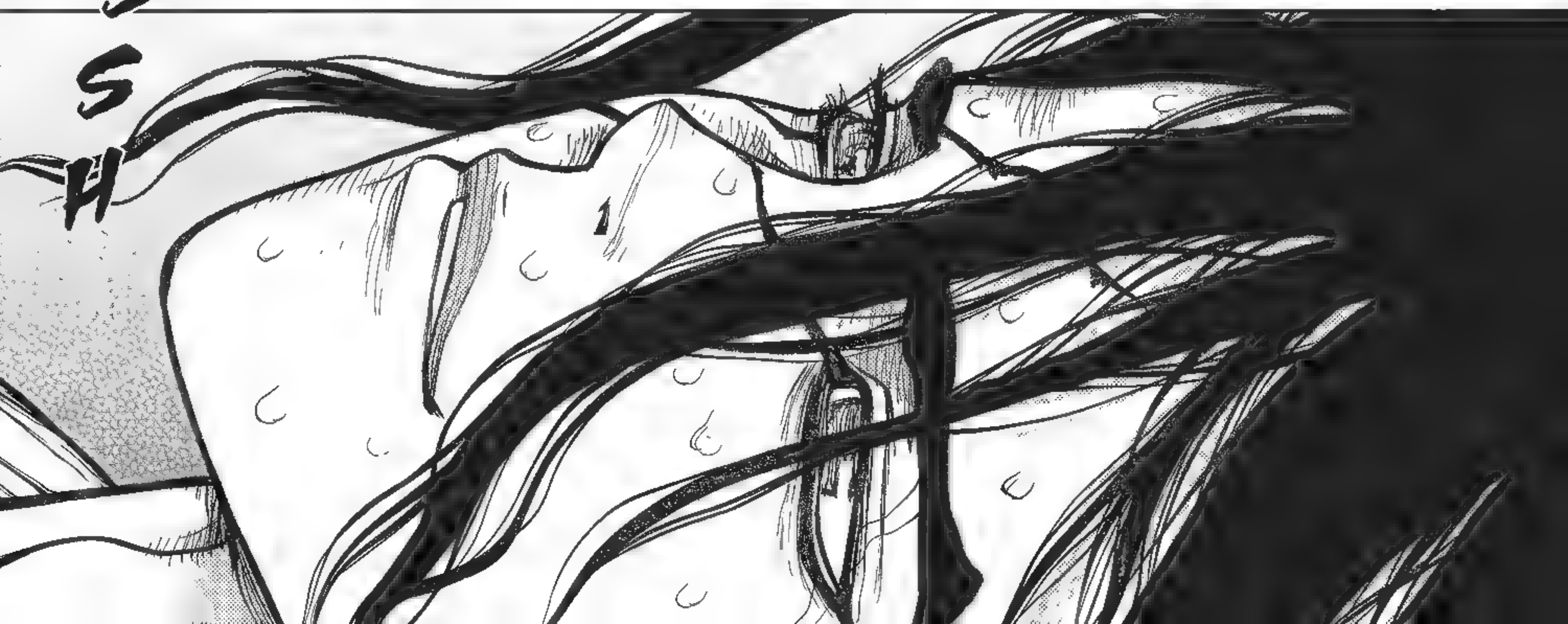
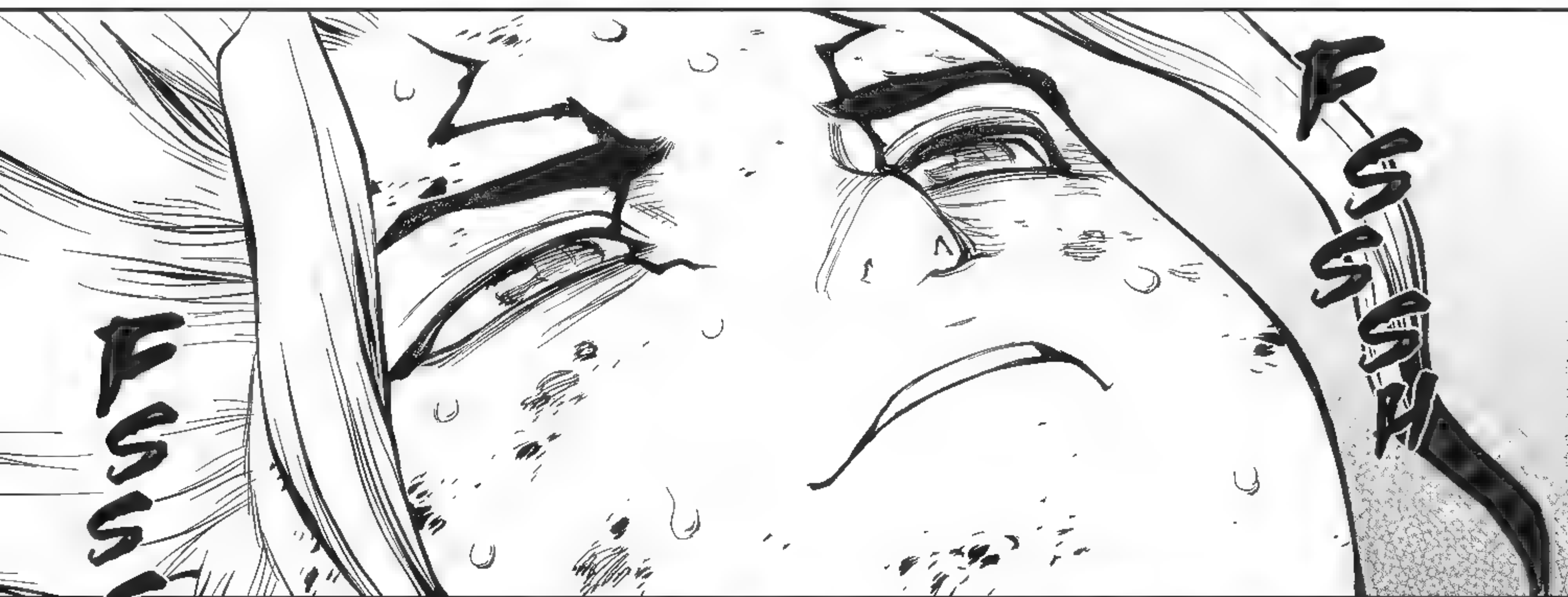
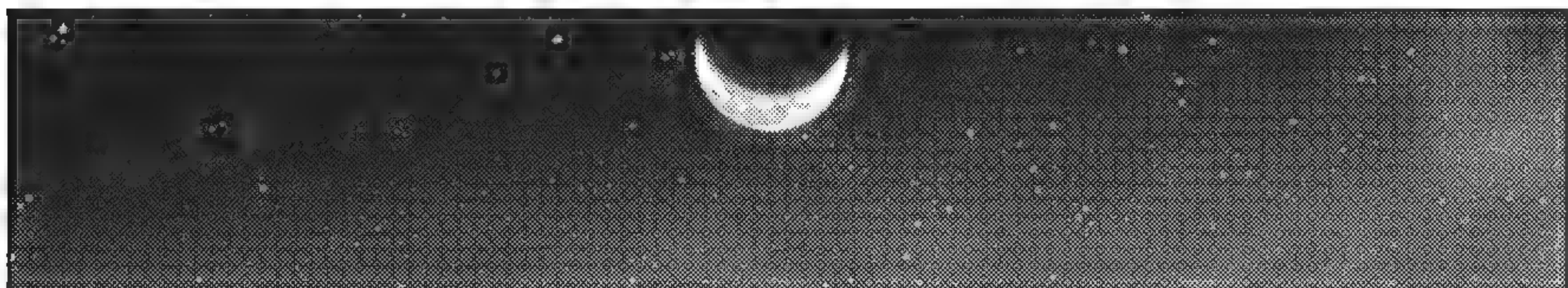
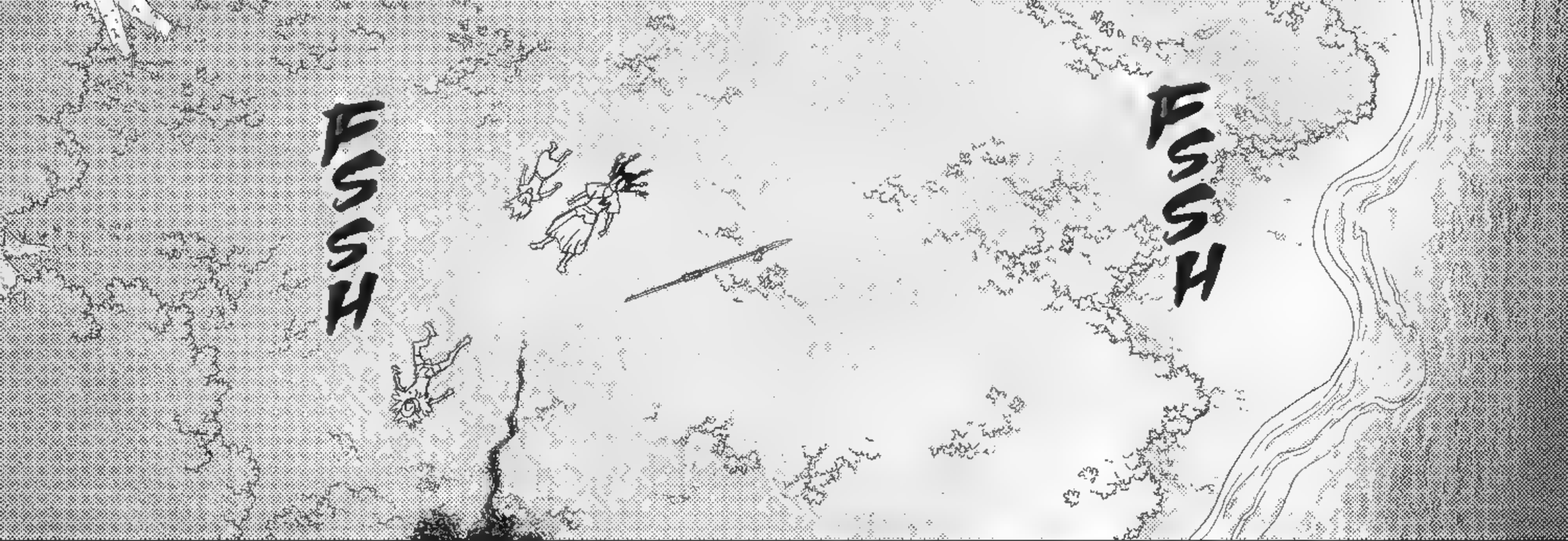
THIS
IS THE
BIRTH...

BUT...
HOW?

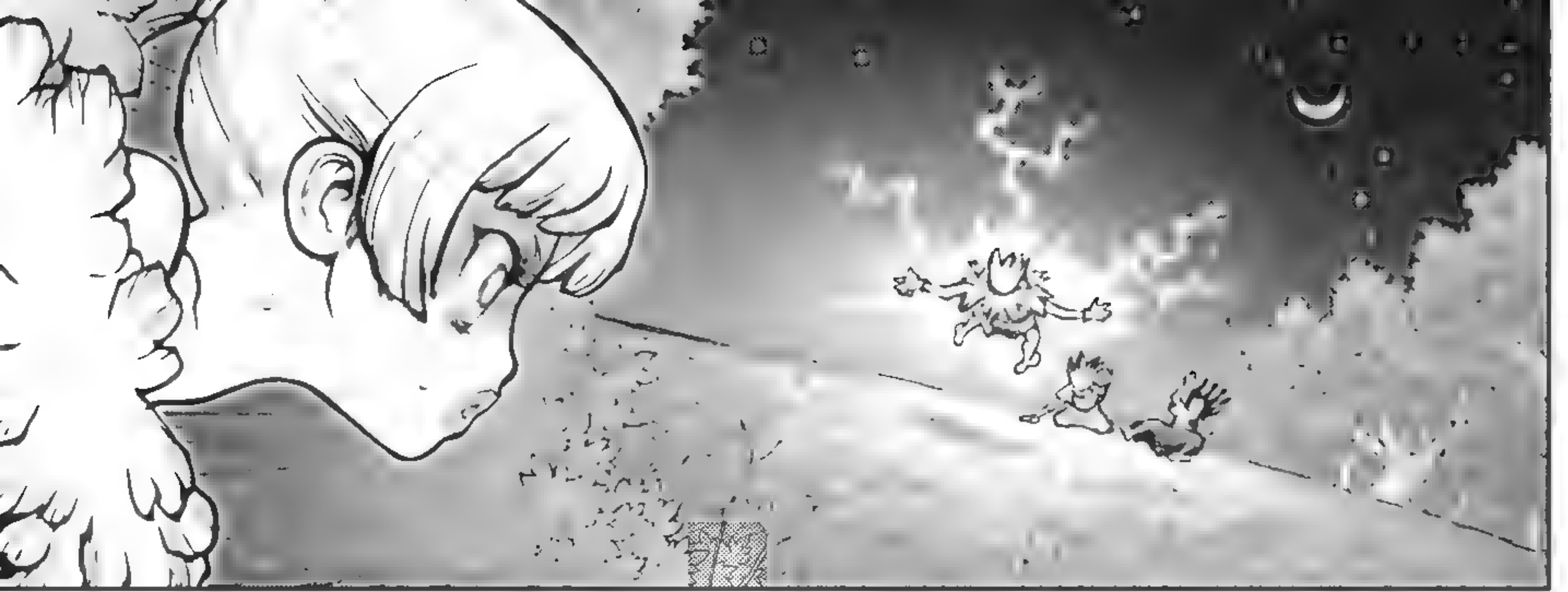
WHERE'D
YOU...?

WHEN'D
YOU FIND
THE TIME
TO...?

THAT
DEVICE...

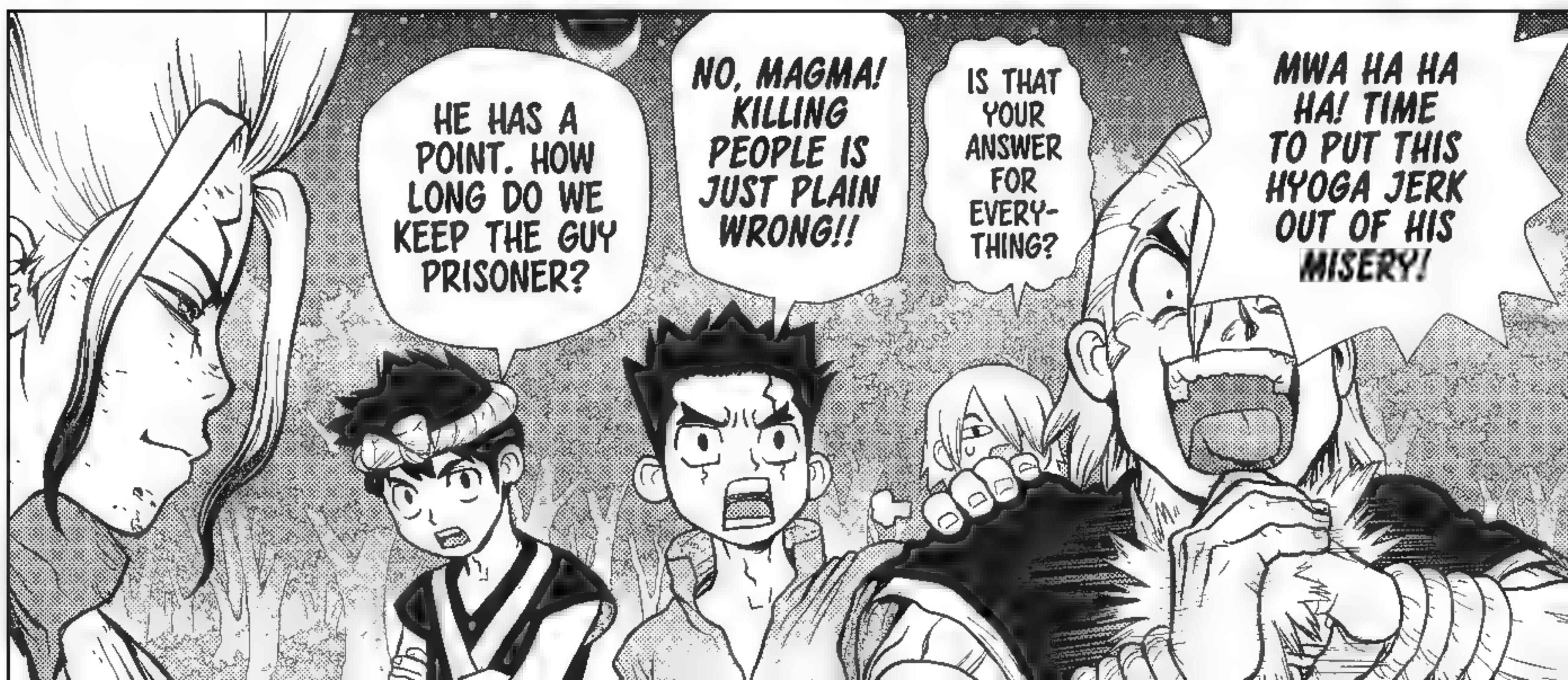


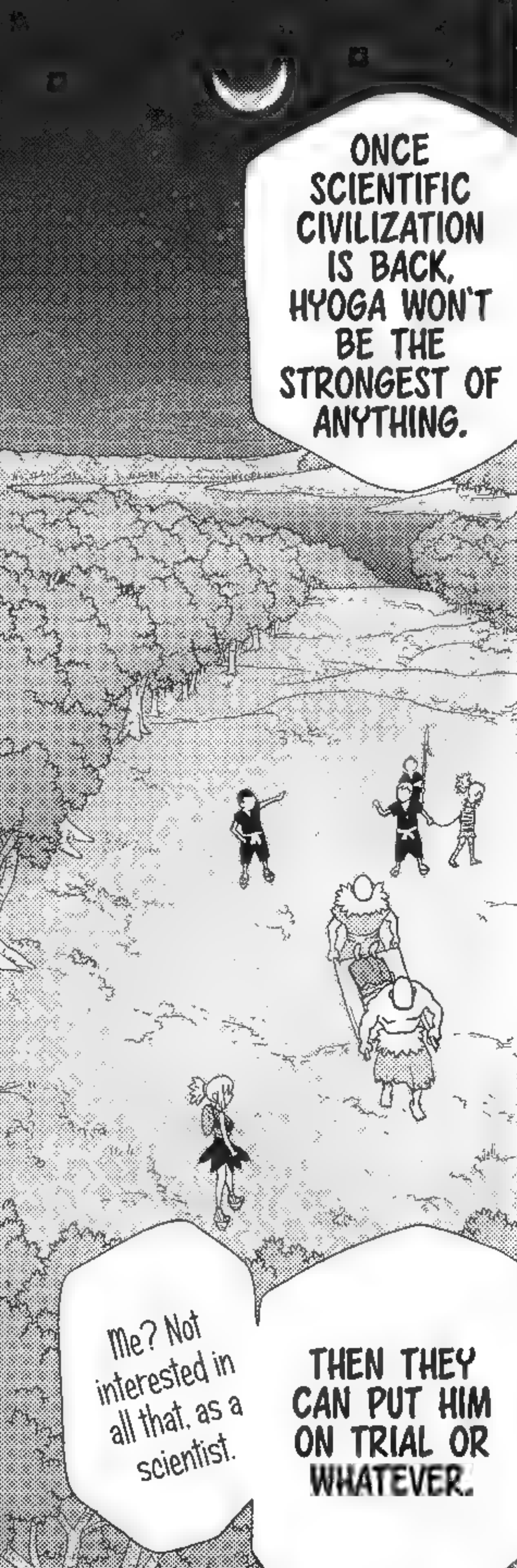




Z=82: Epilogue of the Stone Wars (End of Part 2)







ONCE
SCIENTIFIC
CIVILIZATION
IS BACK,
HYOGA WON'T
BE THE
STRONGEST OF
ANYTHING.



UNTIL THE
DAY...

...CIVILIZATION
IS BACK UP
AND RUNNING.

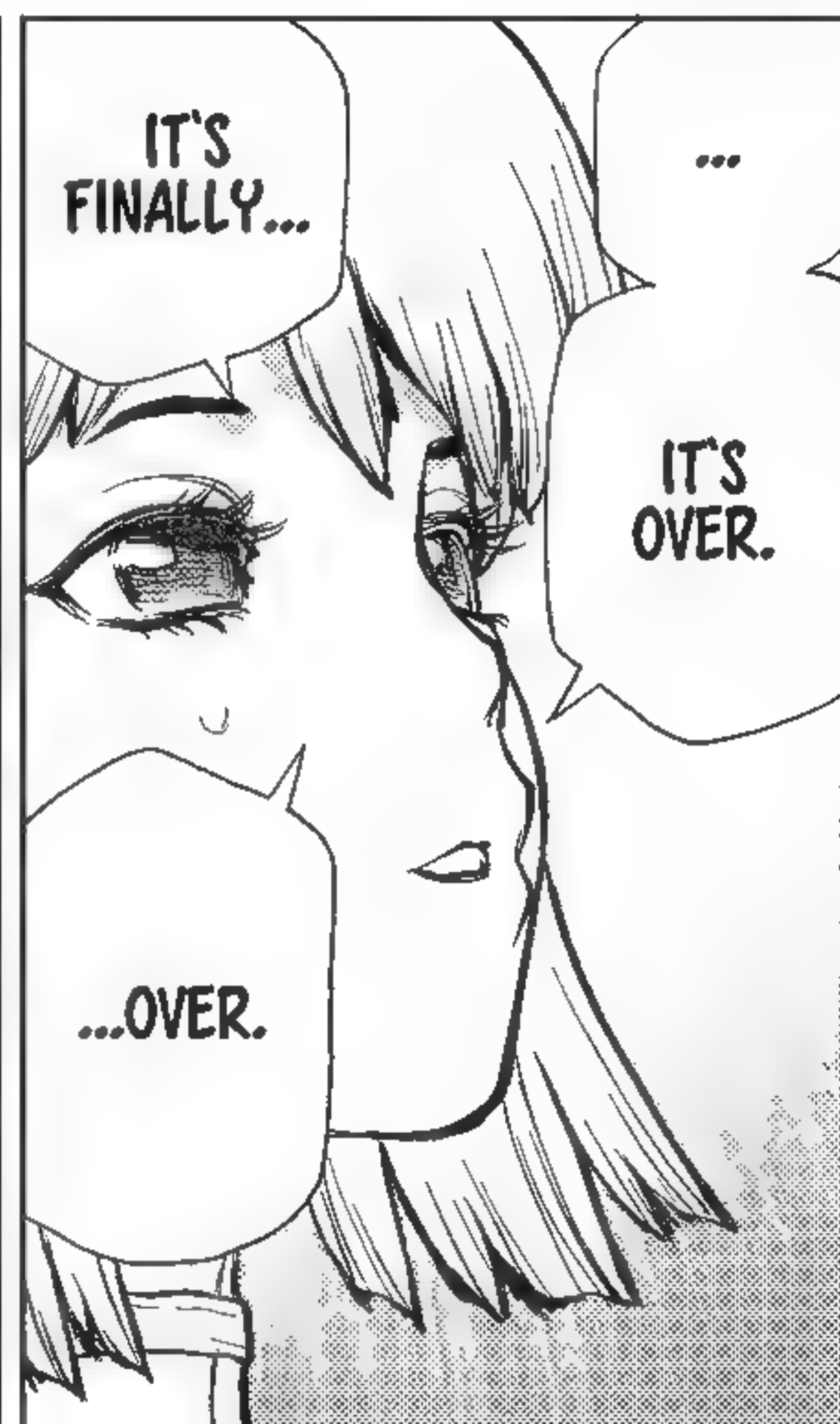
Me? Not
interested in
all that, as a
scientist.

THEN THEY
CAN PUT HIM
ON TRIAL OR
WHATEVER.



WE'RE
FINALLY
GETTING
STARTED!

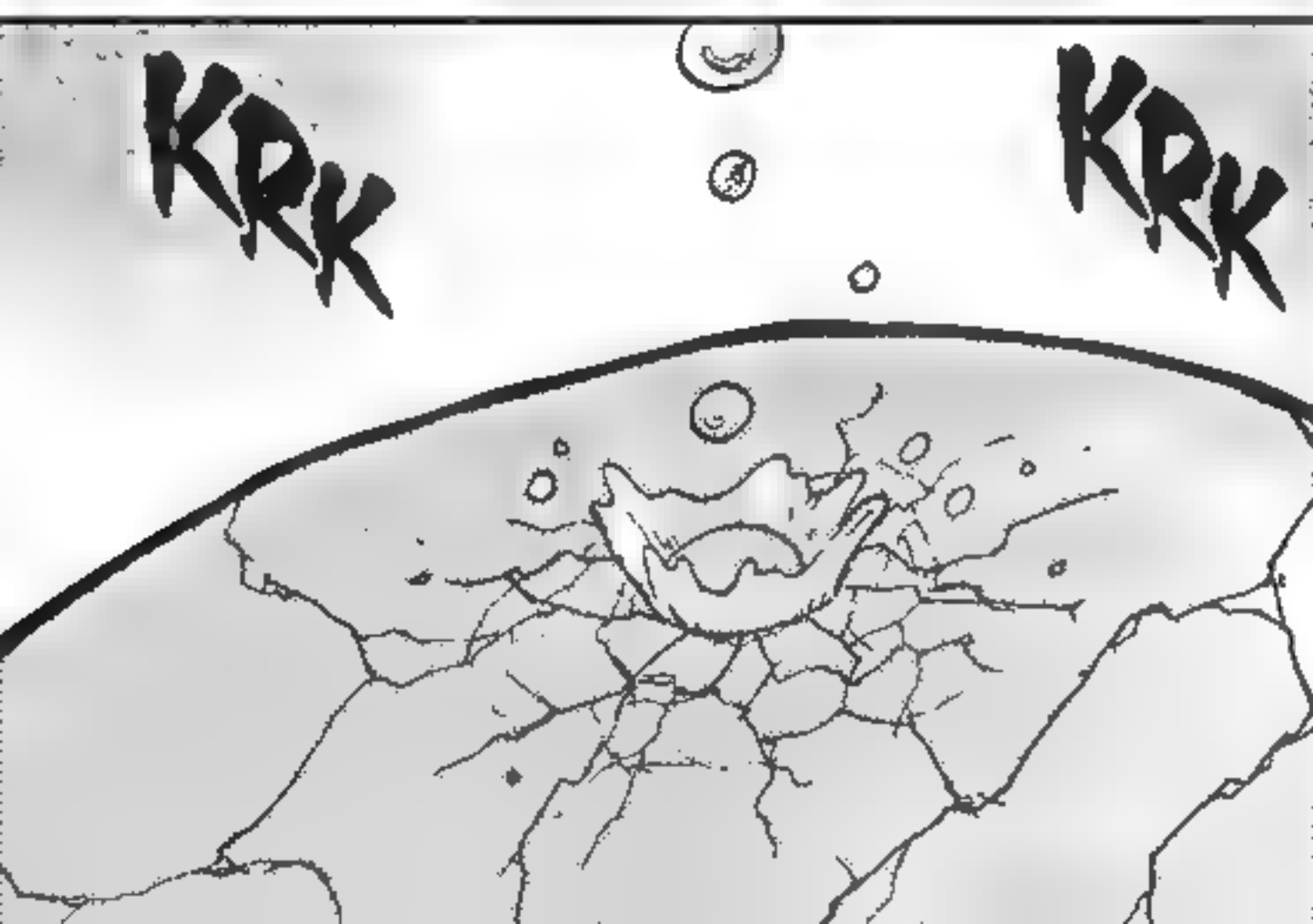
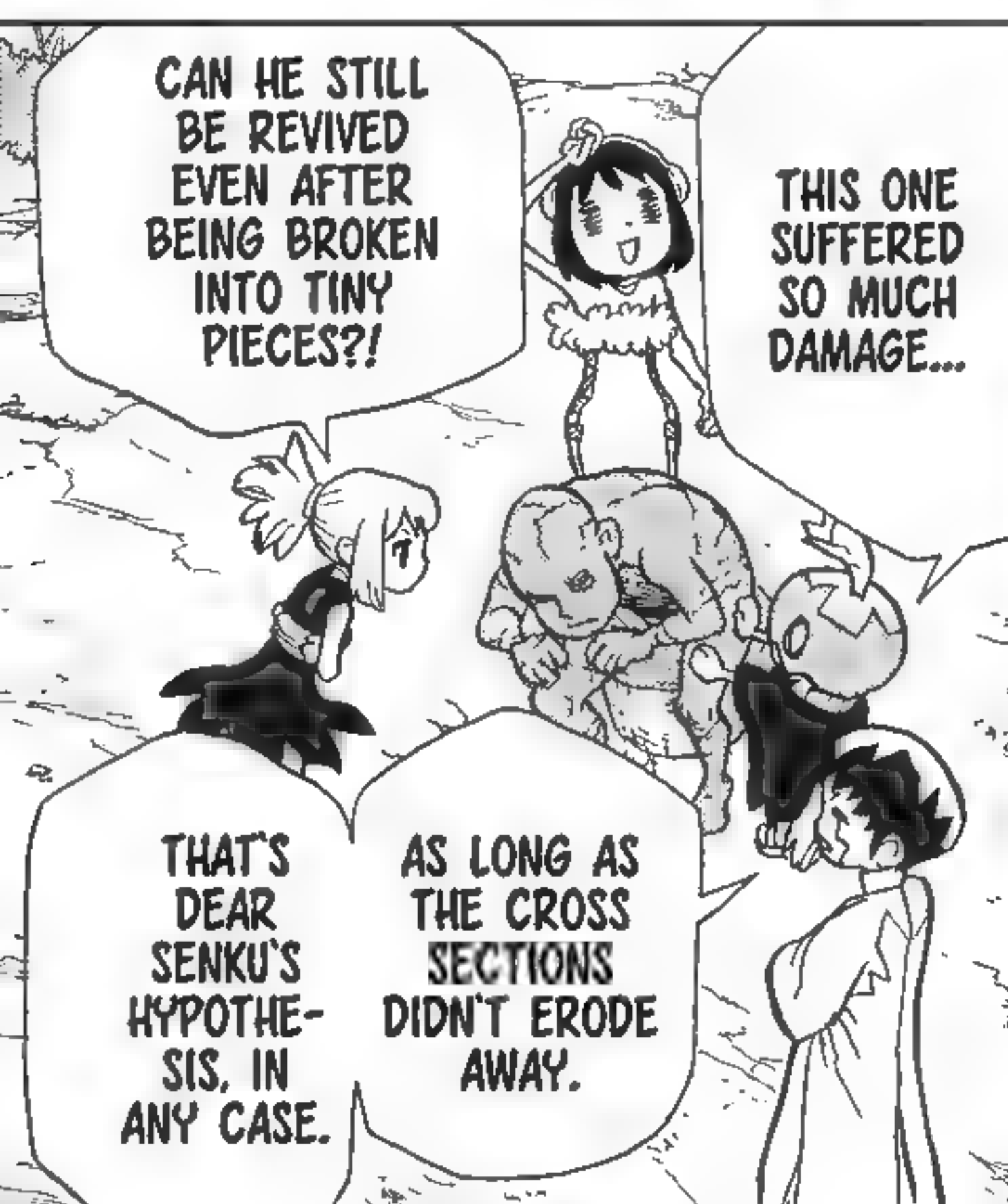
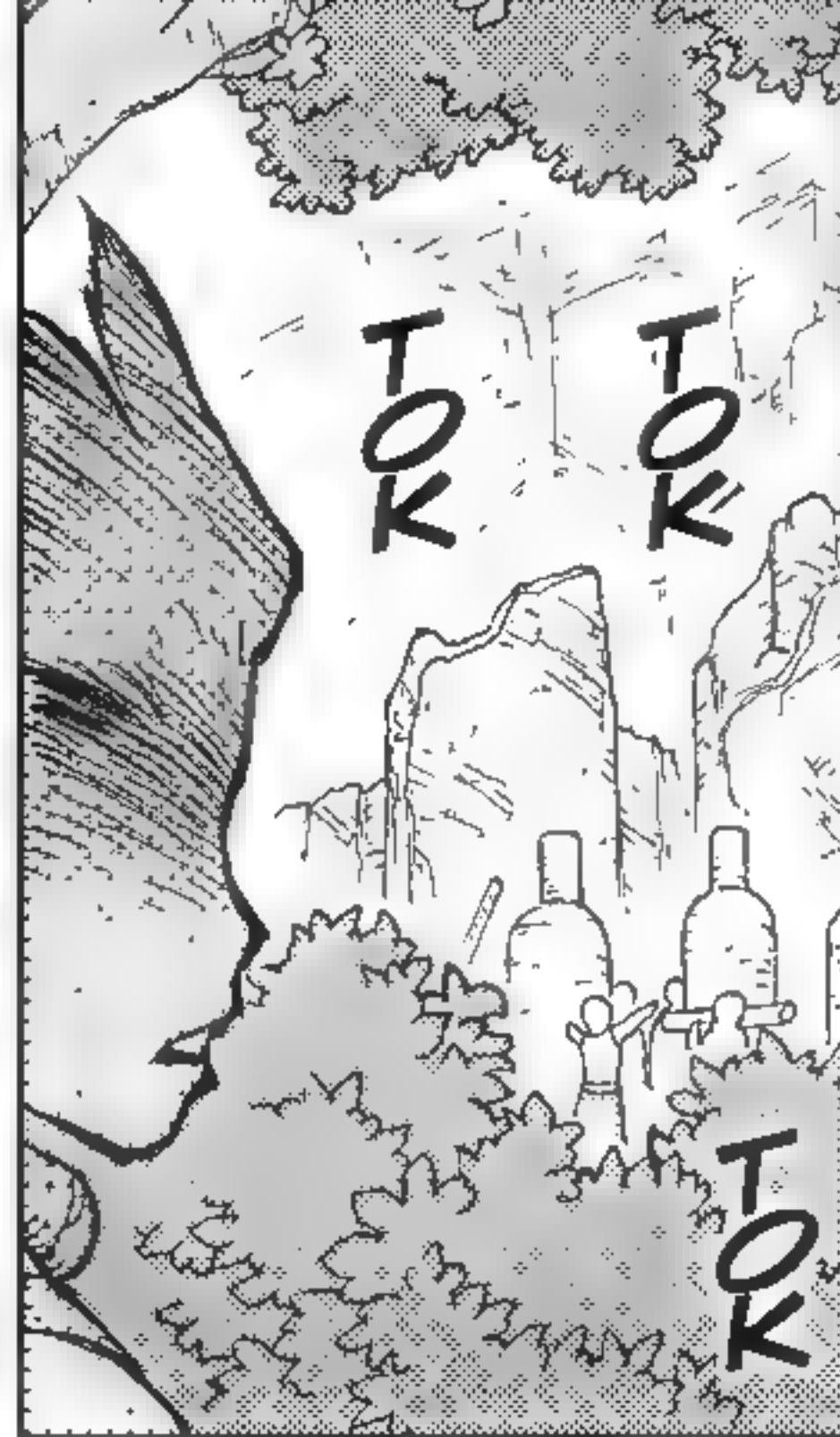
HEH
HEH HEH...
DON'T BE
SILLY. YOU
GOT IT ALL
BACKWARD.



IT'S
FINALLY...

IT'S
OVER.

...OVER.





IT REALLY WORKED!!

OH HH, HE REVIVED!!

AFTER ALL, DEAR SENKU MADE A PROMISE TO THESE PEOPLE.

HERE! PAPER!

YOU CAN GET RIGHT BACK TO CREATING MANGA.

IS THIS GUY A FRIEND OF YOURS?

HUH? MY DRAFT'S WAY PAST DUE, THEN!

OH NO, OH NO, OH NO! MY DEADLINE!

HOW LONG WAS I SLEEPING?!

NO, BUT HE'S A MANGA ARTIST.

Just happened to come across him.

A FEW THOUSAND YEARS.



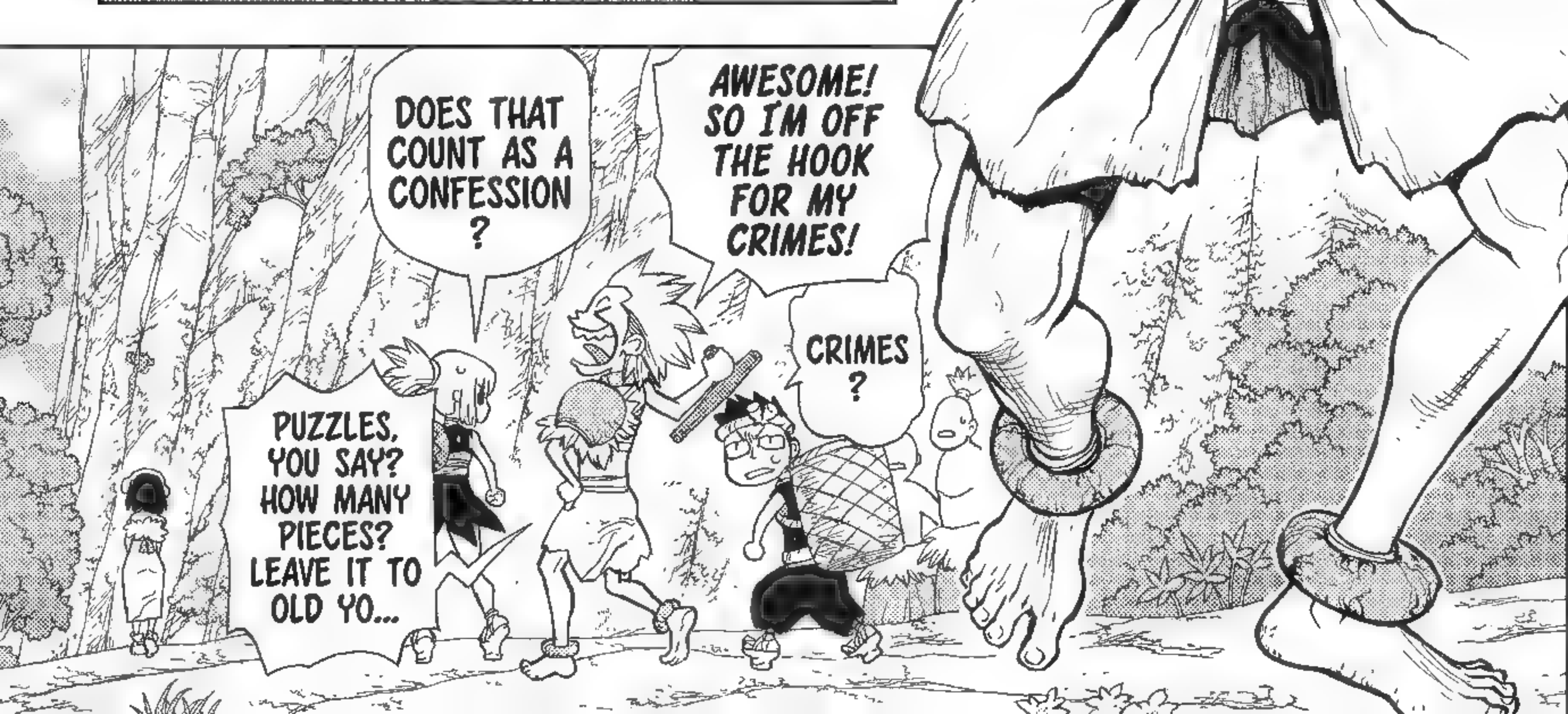
HE SWORE TO SHOW THEM THAT...

TO BRING BACK ENTERTAINMENT...

...AND IT ALL STARTS HERE.

THE FUN SIDE OF SCIENTIFIC CIVILIZATION !!

...AND EVERYTHING DELIGHTFUL THIS WORLD HAS TO OFFER.





**W
H
A
A
A
A
A
A
A
?!**



...WE
GOTTA PUT
ALL THESE
GUYS BACK
TOGETHER
?
EVERY
LAST
ONE?!

AND YOU
MEAN TO
TELL ME...



YES. I
HAVE...

THIS
MASSIVE
JOB...
YOU'VE
BEEN DOING
IT ALL ALONE,
YUZURIHA? ALL
THIS TIME?



ISN'T THAT
EXCITING?

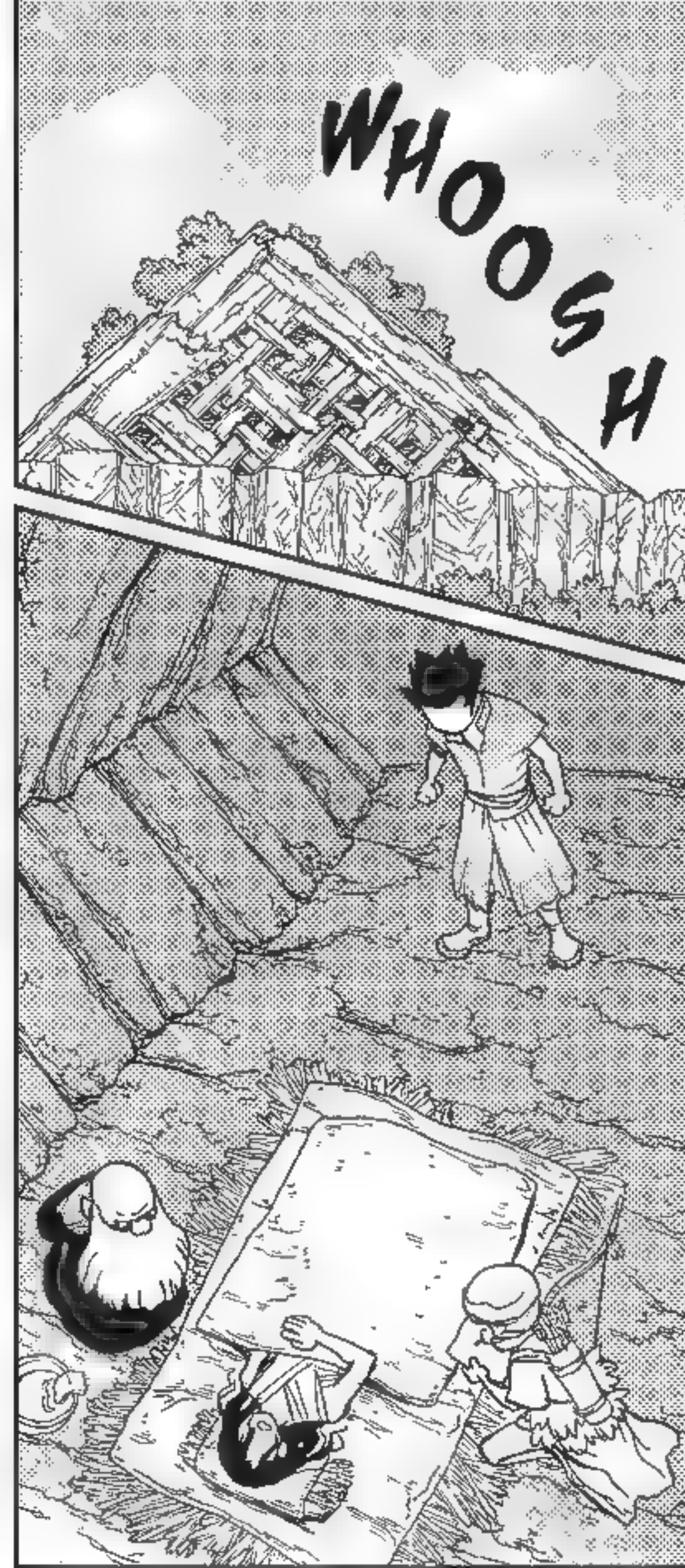
ALL OF
THEM.
EVERY
LAST
ONE!!



OHO! DON'T TRY TO TALK, TSUKASA. YOU NEED YOUR REST...

...I NEED TO HELP, THE ONLY WAY I CAN.

NO. AS MY FINAL ACT...

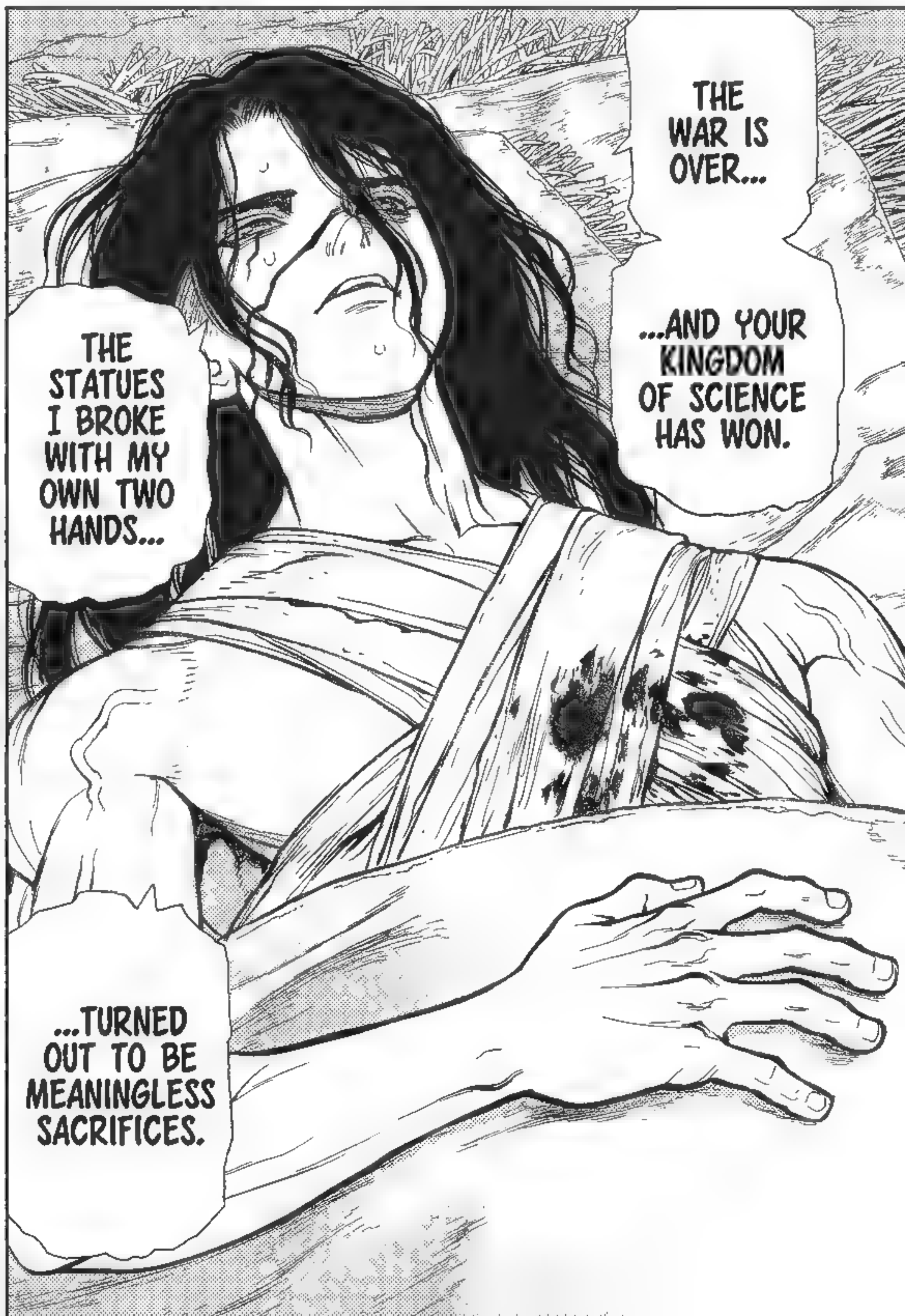


IF A JOB DEMANDS DILIGENCE, I'M THE GUY TO DO IT!

YOU CAN COUNT ON ME, TSUKASA!

...AND I'LL GATHER UP EVERY LAST LITTLE PIECE!!

JUST TELL ME WHERE THE BROKEN STATUES ARE...

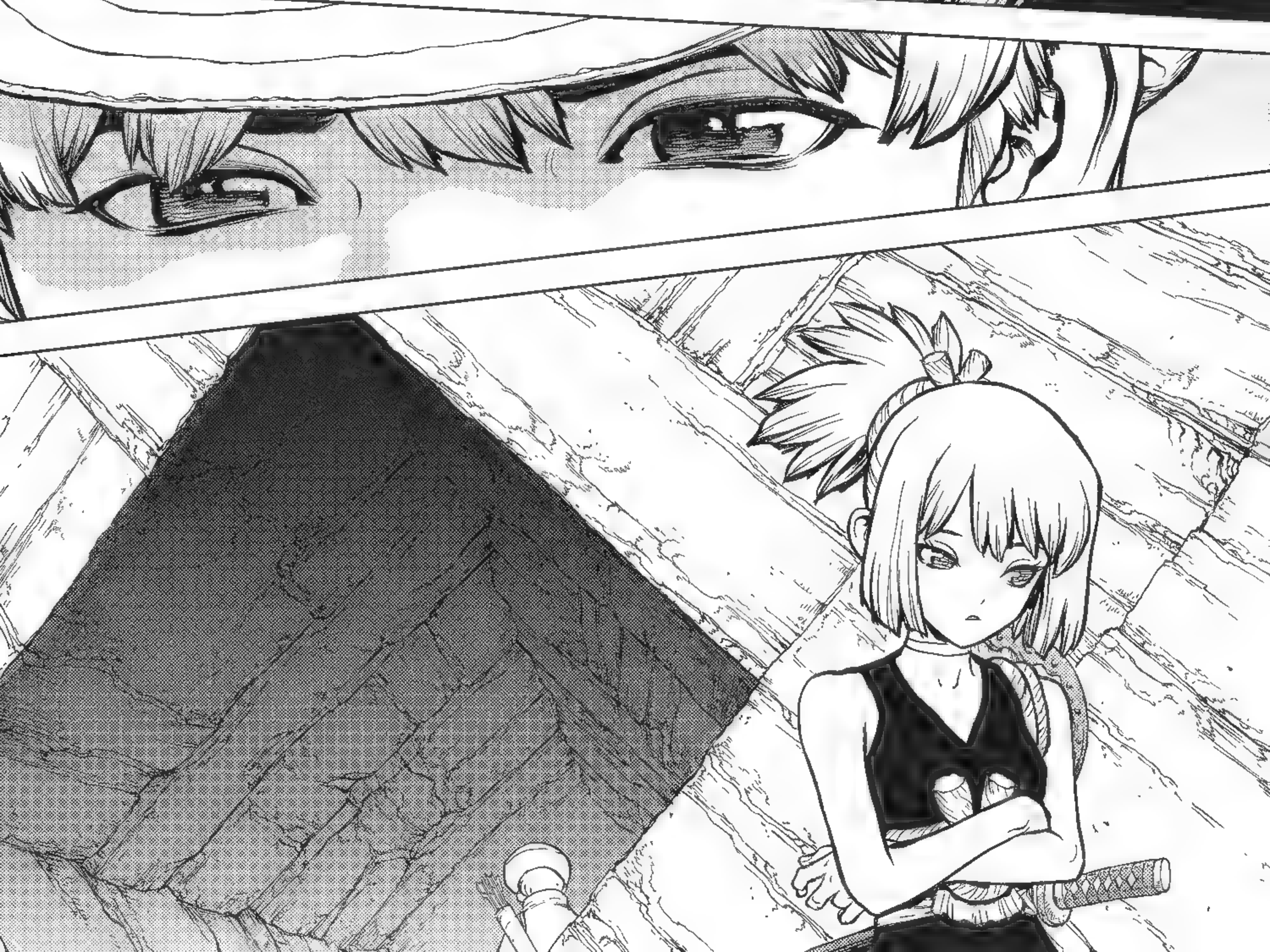
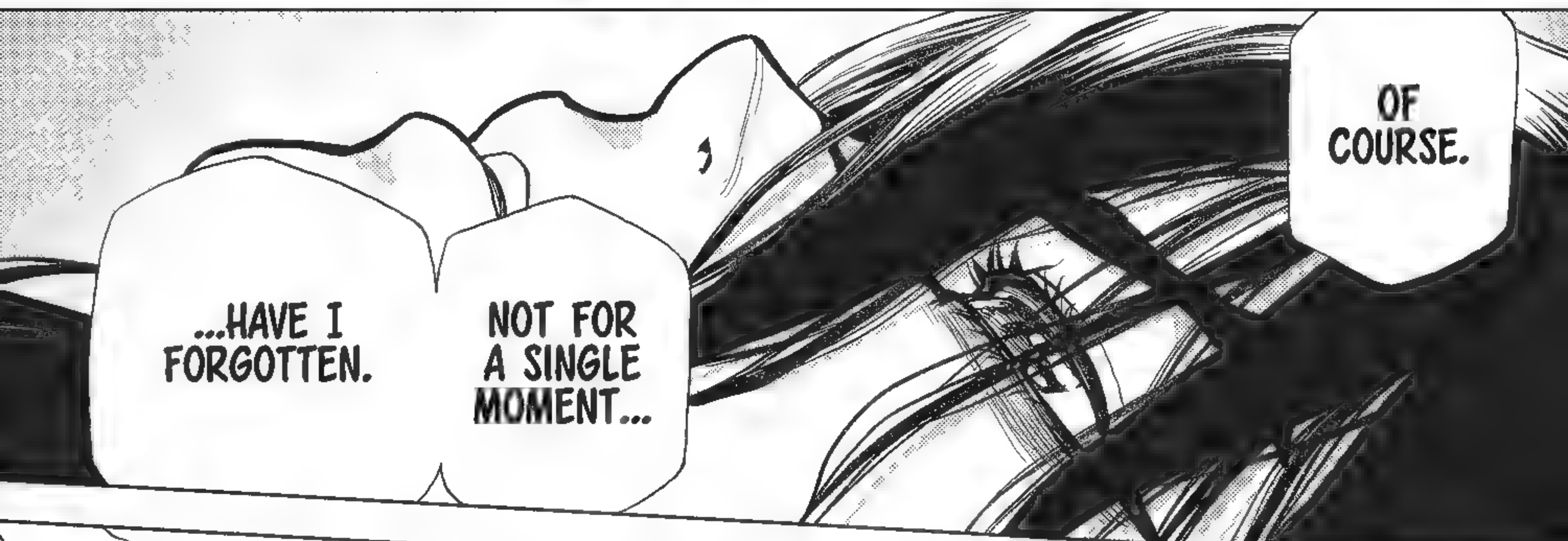


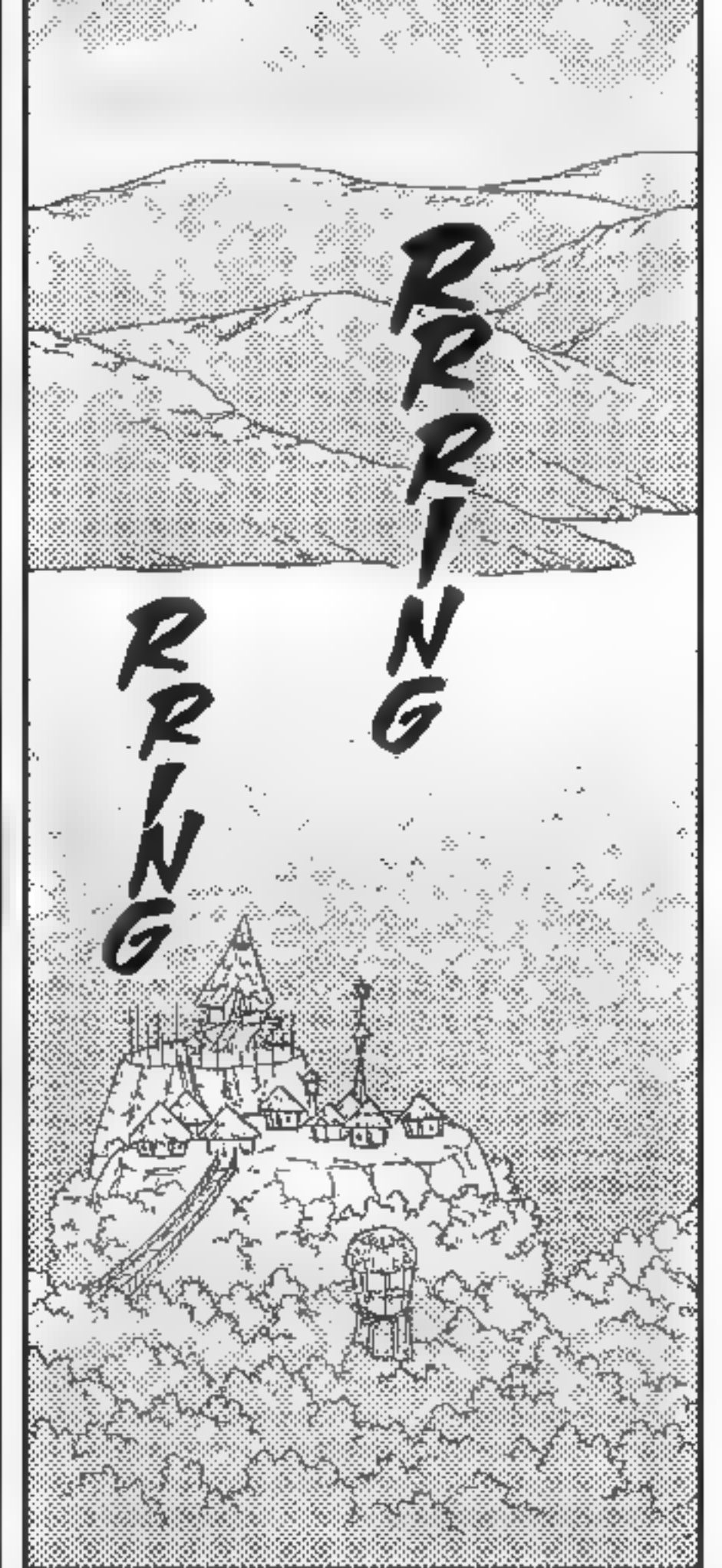
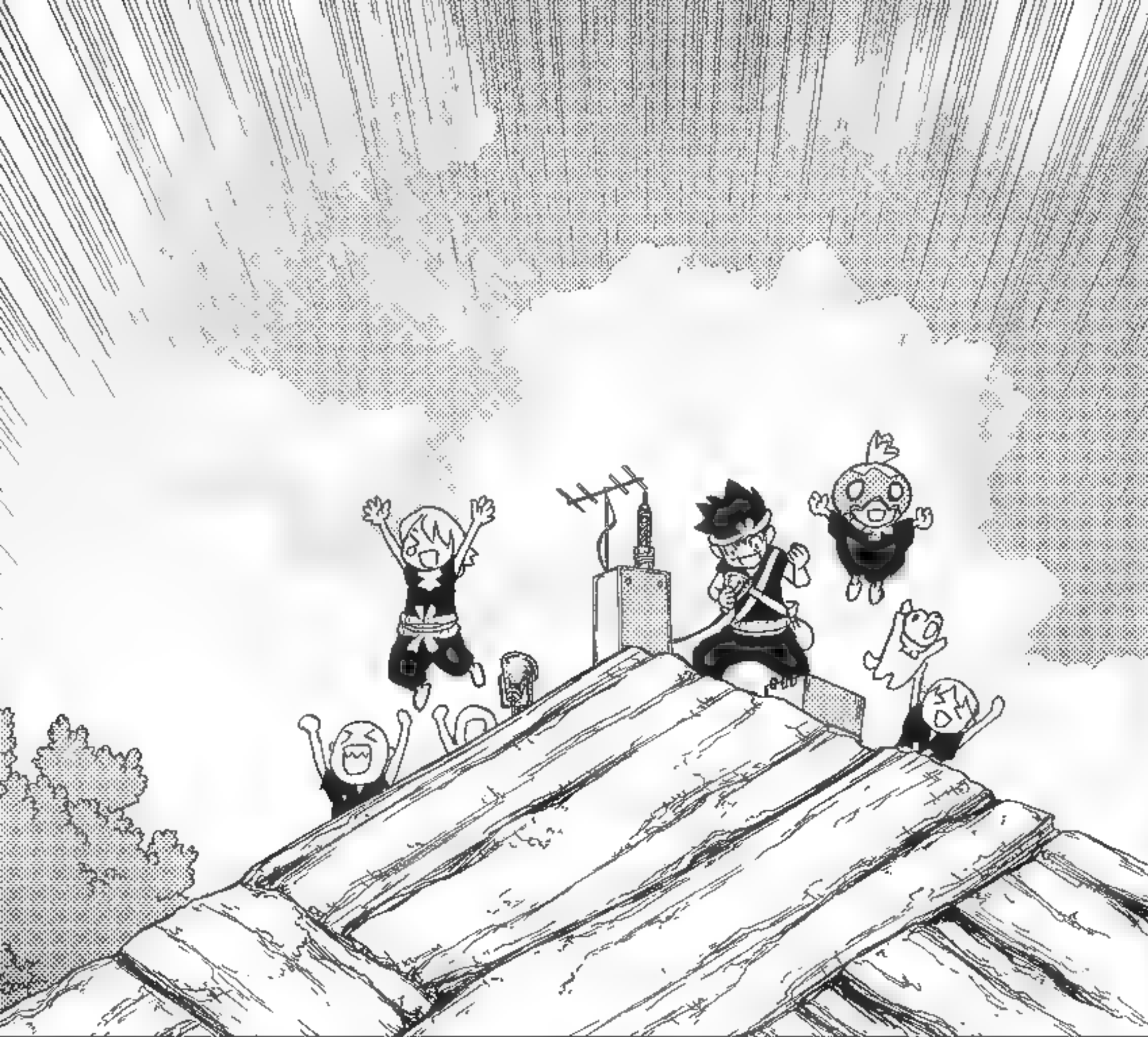
THE STATUES I BROKE WITH MY OWN TWO HANDS...

THE WAR IS OVER...

...AND YOUR KINGDOM OF SCIENCE HAS WON.

...TURNED OUT TO BE MEANINGLESS SACRIFICES.





**VICTORY
WITHOUT
SACRIFICE,
RIGHT?**

**I JUST
KNOW
SENKU
WON'T LET
HIM DIE!!**

**I
MEAN...**

**NO!
NOBODY
DIED! NO
ONE AT
ALL!**



**...INSTANT
BONDING
AGENT!!**

**MEDICAL-
GRADE...**

**OH!! AND
THIS WILL
SAVE DEAR
TSUKASA?!**

**TOSS IN
SODIUM
HYDROXIDE
TO GET
SODIUM
CHLORO-
ACETATE.**

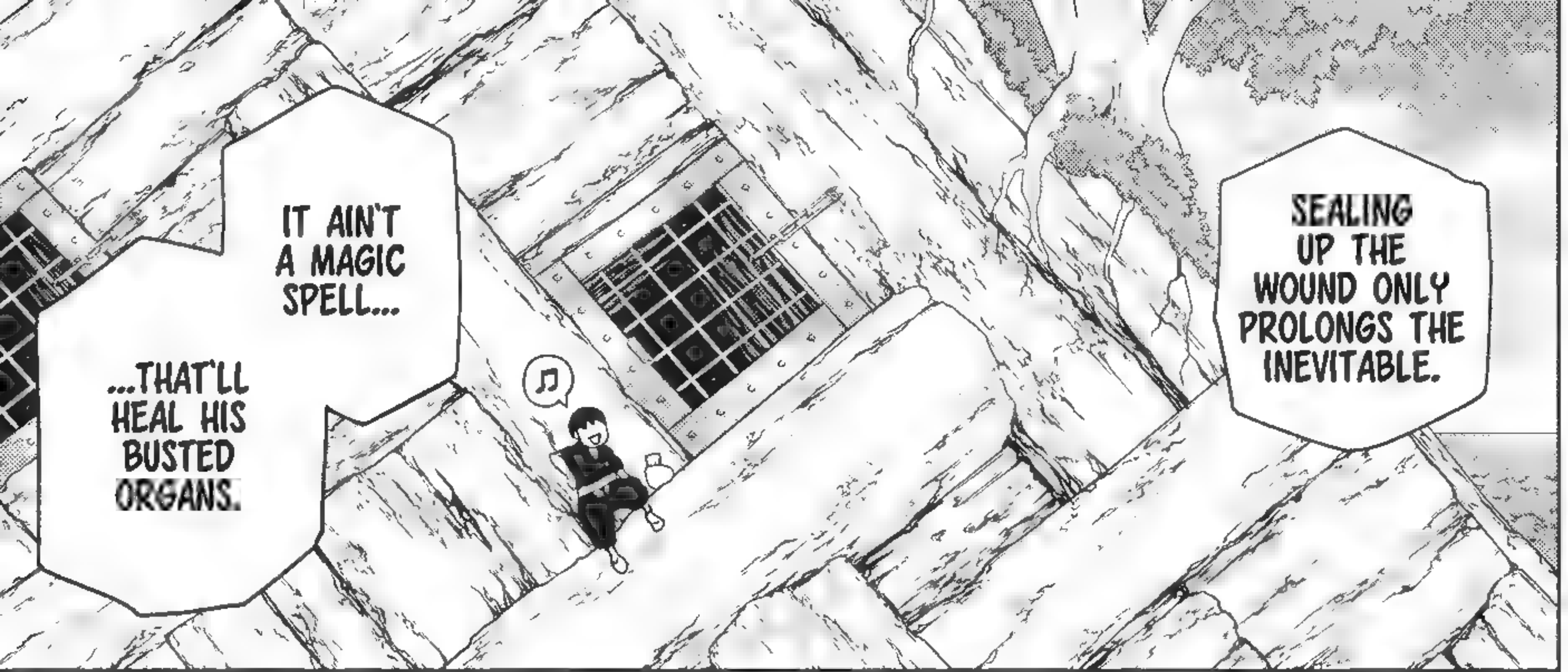
**VINEGAR
PLUS
CHLORINE
PLUS
SULFUR
GIVES US
CHLORO-
ACETIC
ACID.**

**WITH ALL
THESE
MODERN-
TIMERS IN
THE KINGDOM
NOW...
...MAYBE
SOMEBODY
WILL
UNDERSTAND
WHAT I'M
TALKING
ABOUT.**

**I'M AFRAID
IT'S STILL TOO
TOUGH-TAY FOR
EVERYONE.**

**ADD
LIQUOR, THEN
FORMALDEHYDE,
TO THE
RESULTING
ETHYL
CYANOACETATE
TO GET...**

**REACT WITH
SODIUM
CYANIDE
MADE FROM
BLOOD AND
IRON TO GET
CYANOACETIC
ACID.**



IT AIN'T
A MAGIC
SPELL...

...THAT'LL
HEAL HIS
BUSTED
ORGANS.

SEALING
UP THE
WOUND ONLY
PROLONGS THE
INEVITABLE.



IT COULD
BE WORSE.

TOGETHER.

WITH
HYOGA.



DON'T BE
ABSURD.

ORDINARY
PEOPLE ARE
ALWAYS
HOLDING OUT
HOPE FOR
MIRACLES.



HAH!

...GOT
KILLED BY
THE LIKES
OF YOU?

YOU
THINK
TSUKASA
...



WITH
THAT WEAK
THINKING, YOUR
COMMUNITY
WON'T LAST
LONG.

YOU PEOPLE...
ARE SO NAIVE
AND FOOLISH.

WHY DO YOU
REFUSE TO
EXECUTE
SOMEONE WHO
KILLED HIS
COMMANDER?

TSUKASA.

**THERE'S
ONE WAY
TO SAVE
YOU.**

**IN THIS
WORLD,
THERE'S
NOBODY...**

**NOT SENKU.
NOT EVEN
FOR A
SECOND.**

MIRACLES?

**...STRONGER
OR MORE
HARDWORKING
THAN HIM.**

**THE PATH
OF SCIENCE
LEADS HIM
WHERE HE
NEEDS
TO GO.**

**LITTLE BY
LITTLE, ONE
PAINSTAKING
STEP AT
A TIME.**

KRK



**WE'LL USE
IT FOR
OURSELVES!**

**THE
DIABOLICAL
FLASH OF
LIGHT THAT
NEARLY
ENDED
HUMANITY...**

**WE'RE
GONNA
PETRIFY
YOU
AGAIN!**

Part 3: Dr. STONE

**SCIENCE WILL
TELL US WHAT
CAUSED THE
PETRIFICATION.**

**AND THEN,
THAT
POWER
WILL BE
OURS!!**

**GET
EXCITED!!**

**KR
ONCH**

Mr. Mangaka



**Manga
Power:**



Earnability:



**All-Nighter
Skills:**



Full Name: Tetsuya Kinomoto

Height: 155 cm

Job in Kingdom: Drawing pictures

**Mr. Kinomoto's pretty darn great
at drawing comics, but he's not
good at much else.**

**He was a little let down upon
being revived in a world lacking
so many amenities, but...then he
realized—no more deadlines.**

**Say no more! Long live the
Stone World!!!**

...TURNED
EVERY
HUMAN
ON
EARTH TO
STONE!



A
MYSTERIOUS
FLASH OF
LIGHT...

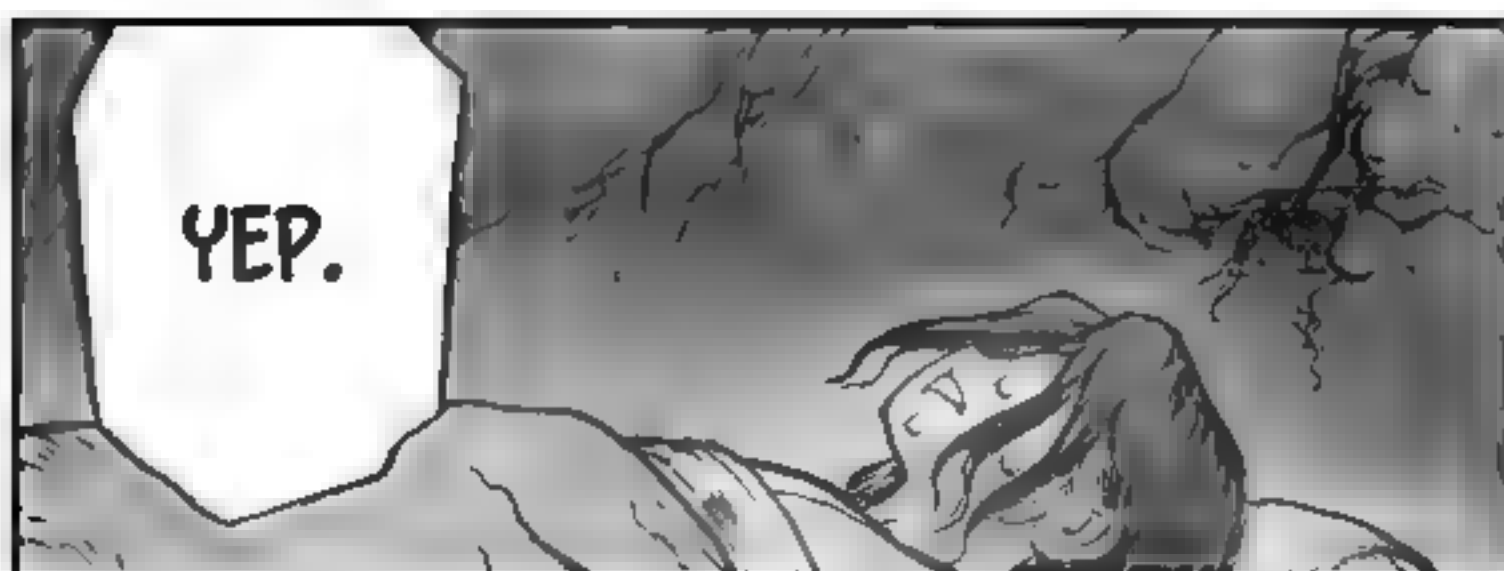
ONE
DAY...

HEH HEH HEH...
IT'S FINALLY TIME
TO ROLL UP OUR
SLEEVES AND SOLVE
THE MYSTERY BEHIND
PETRIFICATION.



WE'LL GET
OUR HANDS
ON THAT
LIGHT!!

YEP.



...YOU'RE
GONNA PETRIFY
TSUKASA AGAIN
IN ORDER TO
SAVE HIM?!



YOU
MEAN...

SO GET
EXCITED!!



WE'LL ADD
A LITTLE
SCI-FI...

...TO
HUMANITY'S
NOTION OF
SCIENCE.



WASTONAVE

...A
WORD
GAME...

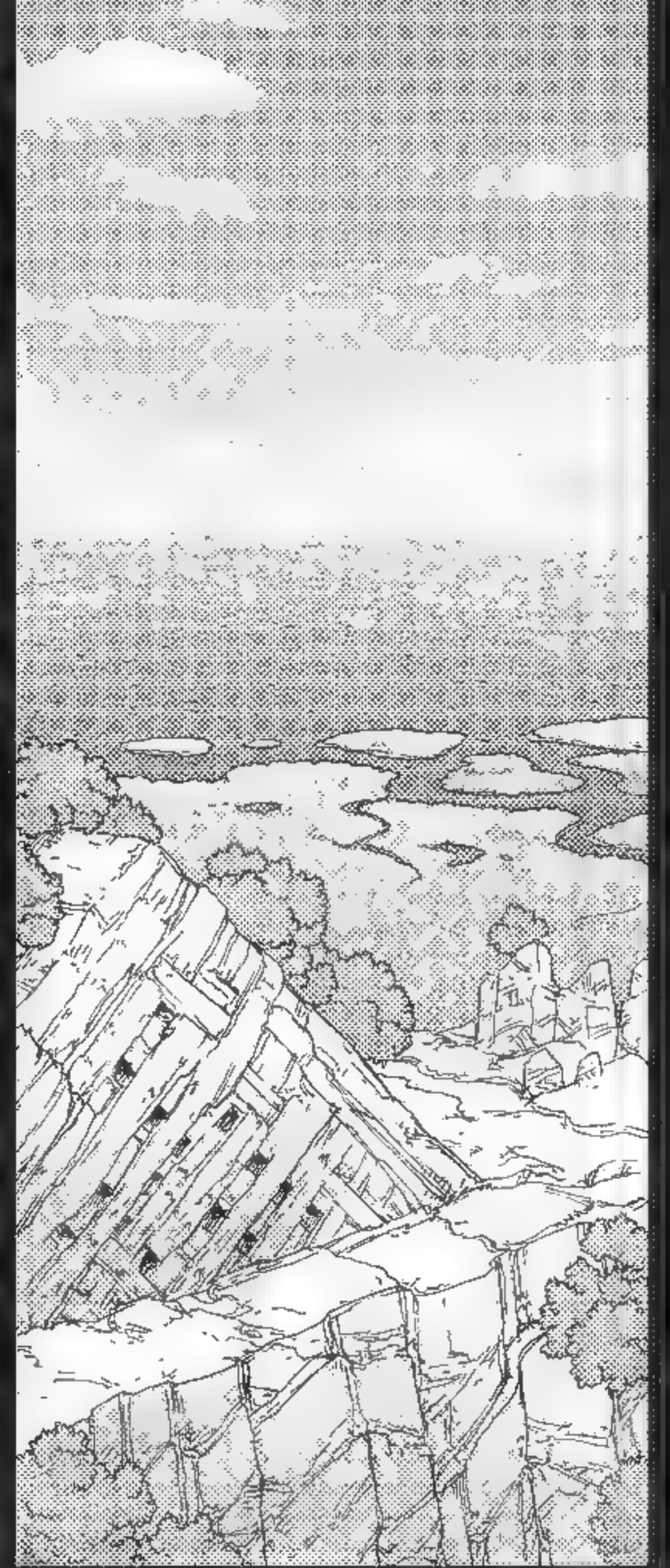
...WE
COULD
PLAY
...

MAYBE
...

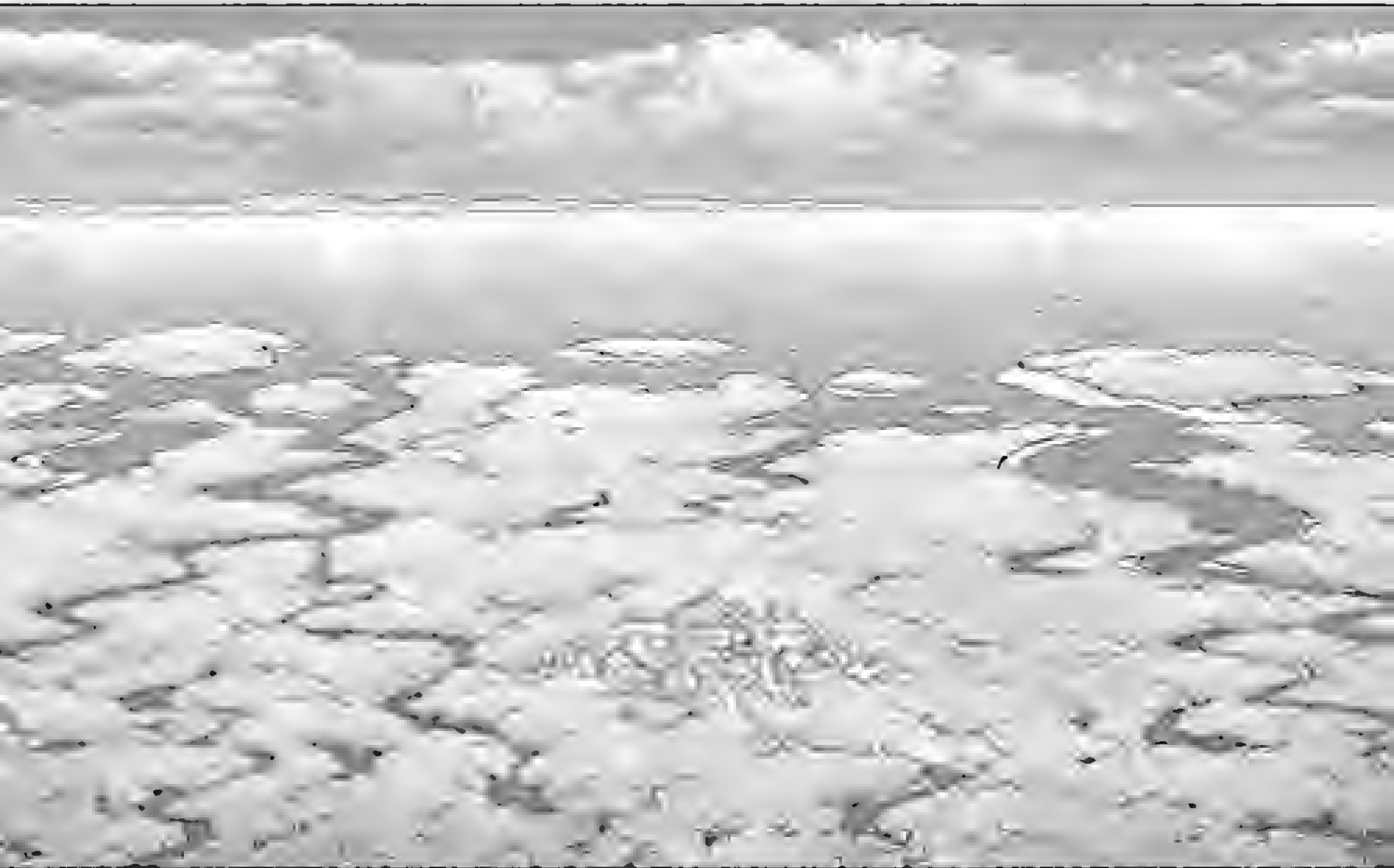
IF
HYOGA
IS
BORED...

NOT A
CHANCE.









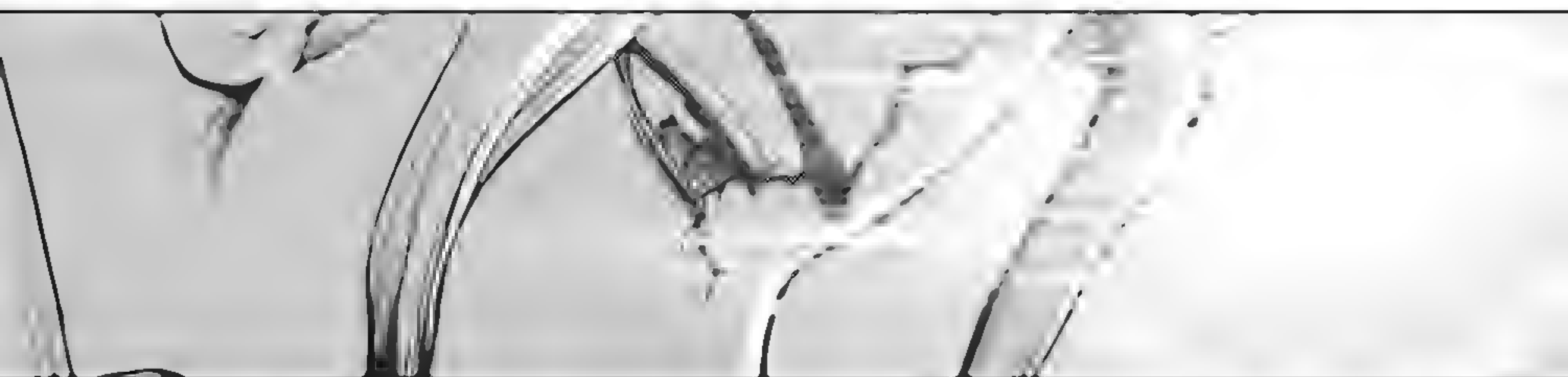


NO MATTER
HOW MANY
YEARS...

I JUST
KNOW HELL
FIND A
WAY.

...OR
DECADES IT
TAKES HIM!!

NO
MATTER
HOW
SLIM THE
ODDS.



AND IN
THIS STONE
WORLD...

YEAH.

...THERE'S
ONLY ONE
WAY TO
SAVE YOU.


SURGERY
ONLY
BOUGHT
ME TIME.

I'LL DIE
OF SEPSIS
WITHIN A
FEW DAYS.

MM...
I KNOW
MY BODY...

...BETTER
THAN
ANYONE.





IT MAKES
SENSE IN
THEORY.

OR DOES
IT? WHAT'S
THE TRICK
BEHIND THE
PETRIFICATION
TO START
WITH?

DOING THAT
RESEARCH IS
WHAT COMES
NEXT!

HOLD
YOUR HORSES.
YOU'VE GOT THE
PATIENCE OF
A TODDLER.

WE
GOTTA...

...PETRIFY
YOU
AGAIN.

BUT...

THAT
COULD
TAKE
YEARS.

WHICH
MEANS YOU'RE
TEN BILLION
PERCENT
DEAD MEAT.

THEN,
WE TAKE
ADVANTAGE OF
THE LOCALIZED
RESTORATIVE
EFFECTS
OF THE DE-
PETRIFICATION
PROCESS...

...AND
HEAL YOU
UP, GOOD
AS NEW!!

SO
BEFORE
YOU
KICK THE
BUCKET...

TSUKASA...



WAIT...

WHAT?!

**WE'RE
FREEZING
HIM TO
DEATH!**

**HE'LL
GO INTO
COLD
SLEEP.**



**I HAVE
TO...**

**...KILL YOU
MYSELF!**



**YOU
GOTTA
TRUST
ME...**

**THAT'S
YOUR...**

**...ONLY
OPTION!**

**...AND
LEMME
KILL
YOU!**



**IN THE
MEANTIME,
WE'LL FIGURE
OUT THE
PETRIFICATION
PROCESS.**

**MARK MY
WORDS, WE'LL
REVIVE YOU
SOMEDAY!!**



**AND IF I
AM TO DIE,
IT SHOULD
BE BY YOUR
HAND...**

**OF
COURSE
I TRUST
YOU.**

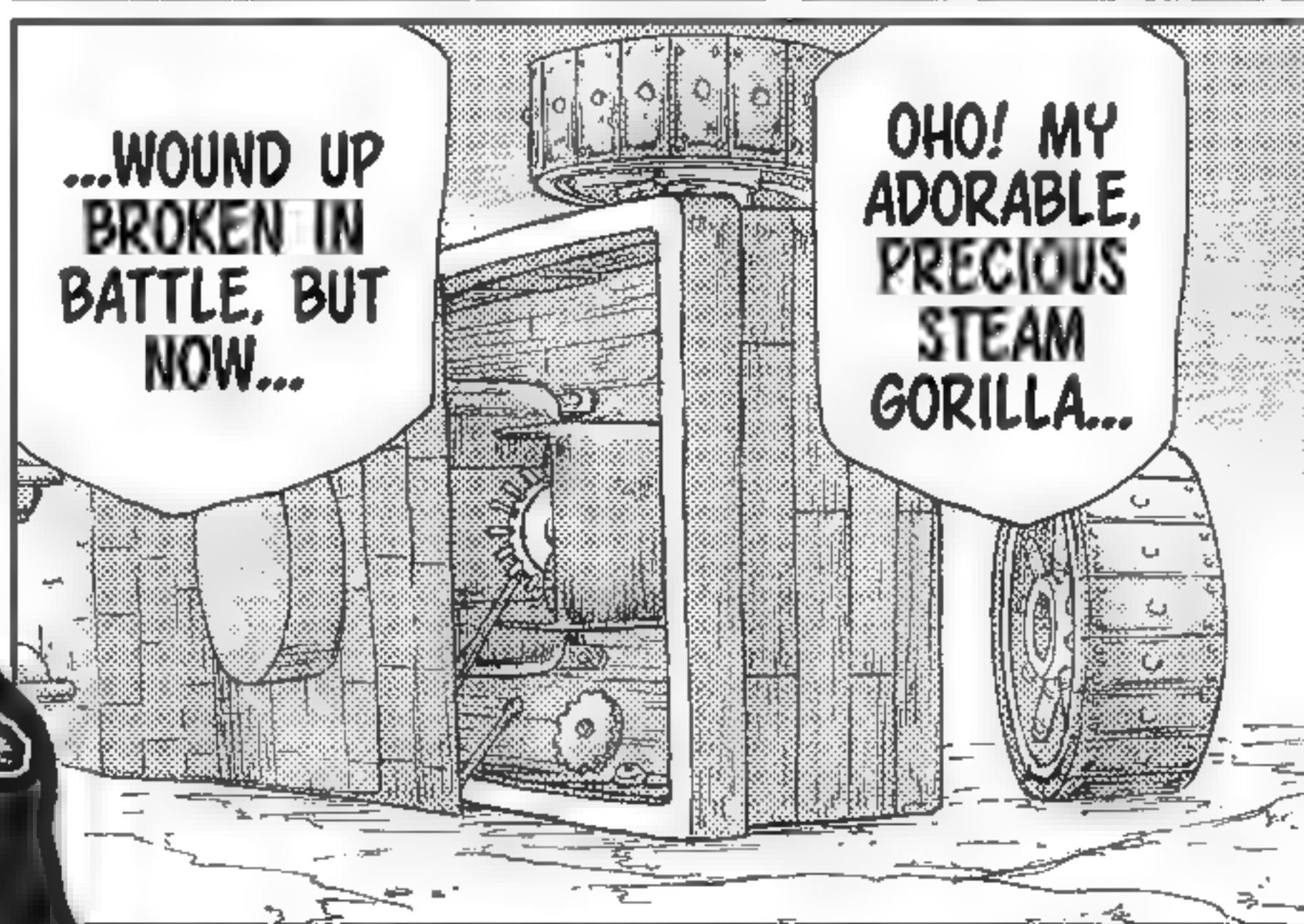
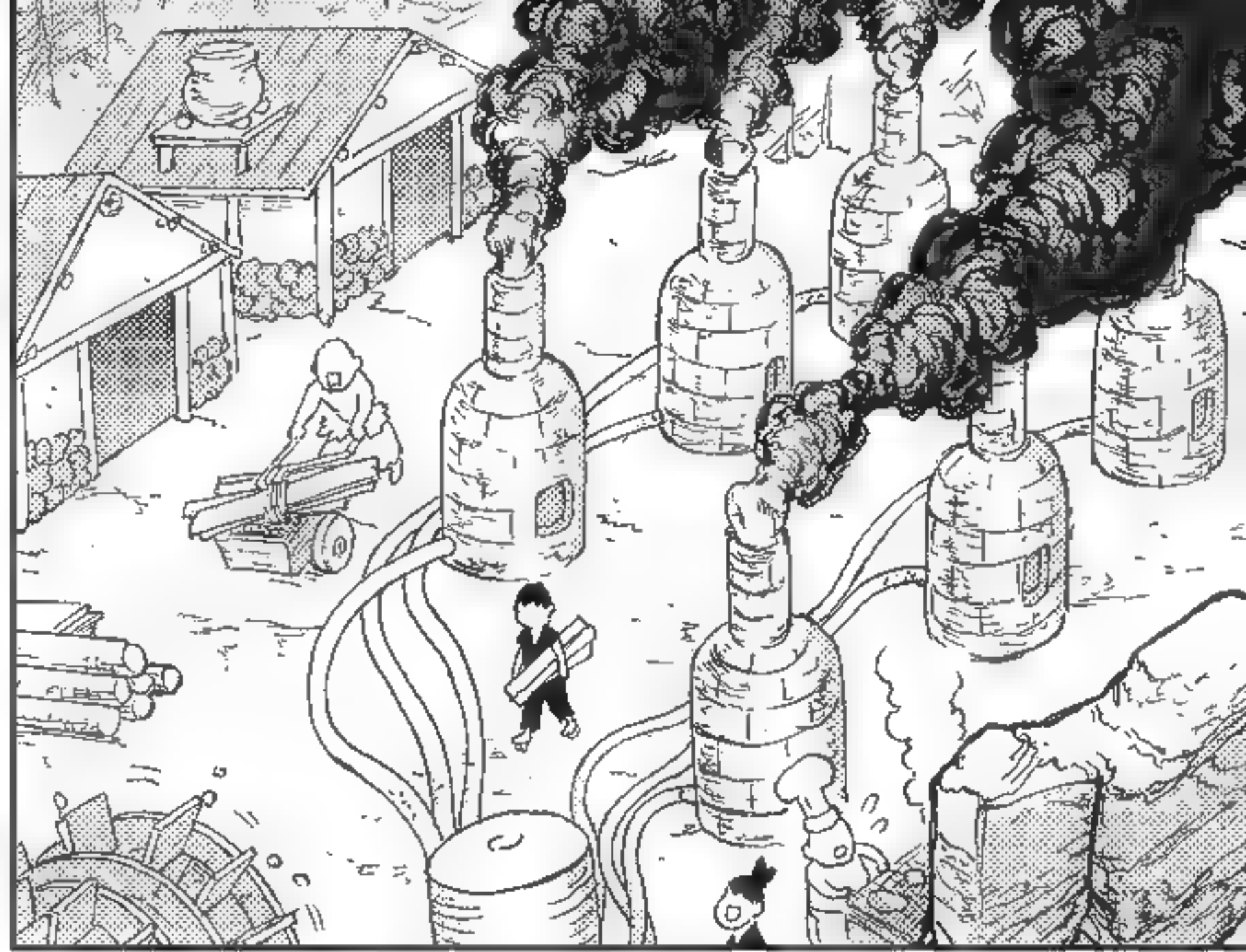


**HEH
HEH HEH...
TIME FOR
REVENGE, THEN.
I'LL KILL YA
SO HARD IT'LL
MAKE YOUR
HEAD SPIN!**

**AH! COME
TO THINK
OF IT, YOU
TOTALLY
DID!**

**I ONCE
KILLED
YOU, TOO.**

**AFTER ALL,
SENKU...**



...WOUND UP
BROKEN IN
BATTLE, BUT
NOW...

OHO! MY
ADORABLE,
PRECIOUS
STEAM
GORILLA...

BABURST

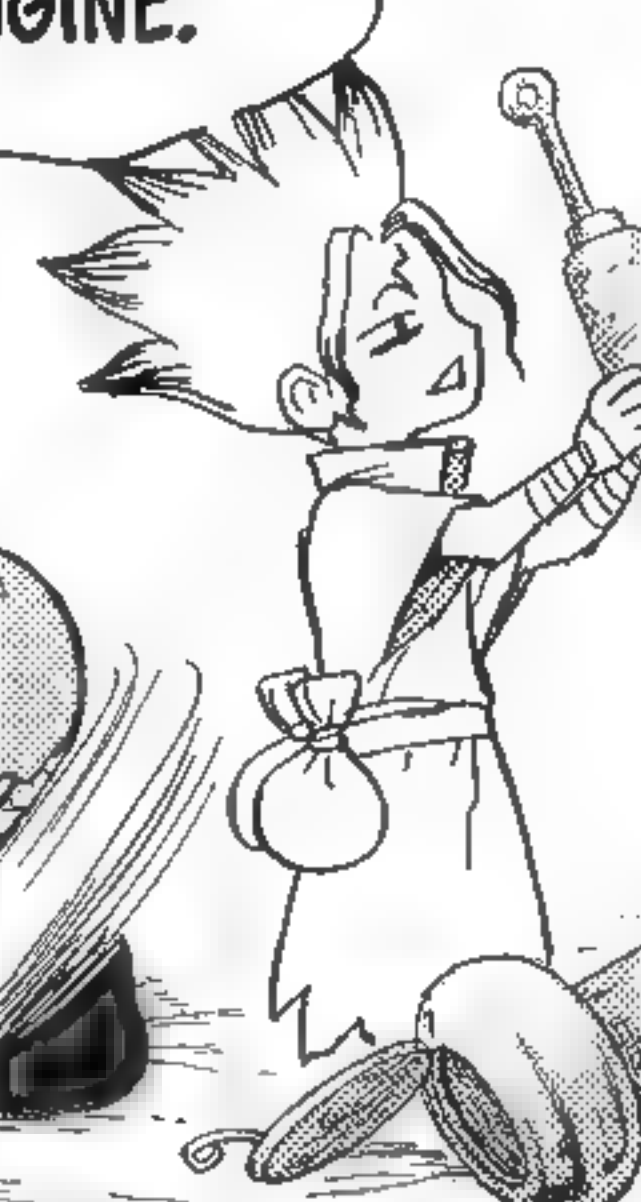


I ONLY
NEED TWO
PISTONS
FROM THE
ENGINE.



WE'LL BREAK
DOWN THE
PHONES FOR
NOW, TOO.

PLENTY OF
GOLD WIRE
IN HERE WE
CAN USE.



OHO HO!!

IT'S
GONNA BE
REBORN AS
SOMETHING
REAL
SPECIAL!!

AMAZING...
WHAT
ARE THEY
BUILDING
NOW?

DON'T BE
SILLY. WE'RE
THE ONES
WHO'VE BEEN
LIVING LIKE
SAVAGES!

WOWWW!
LOOKIT THE
PRIMITIVE
PUNKS GO...

JEEPERS!



HM?

A
REFRIGERATOR!



I KNOW
WHERE YOU'RE
COMING FROM,
MODERN-TIMERS!
THAT'S USUALLY
MY LINE.

IN THIS
STONE
WORLD?

HERE?

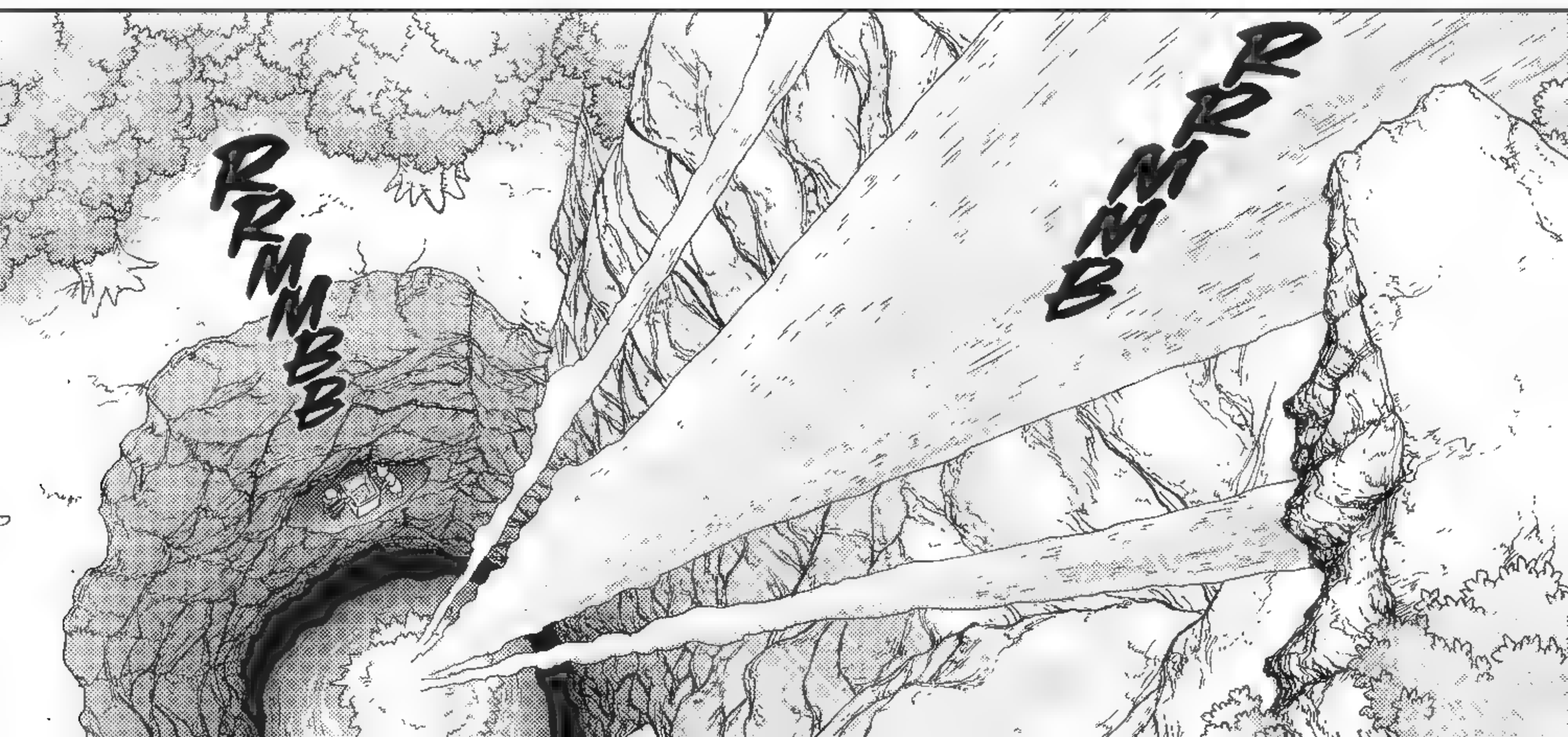
A
FREEZER,
TO BE
EXACT.

RE...

...FRIG...

...ERATOR
?!

HA HA HA...
AT THIS POINT
ALL I CAN
DO IS LAUGH
ABOUT IT.



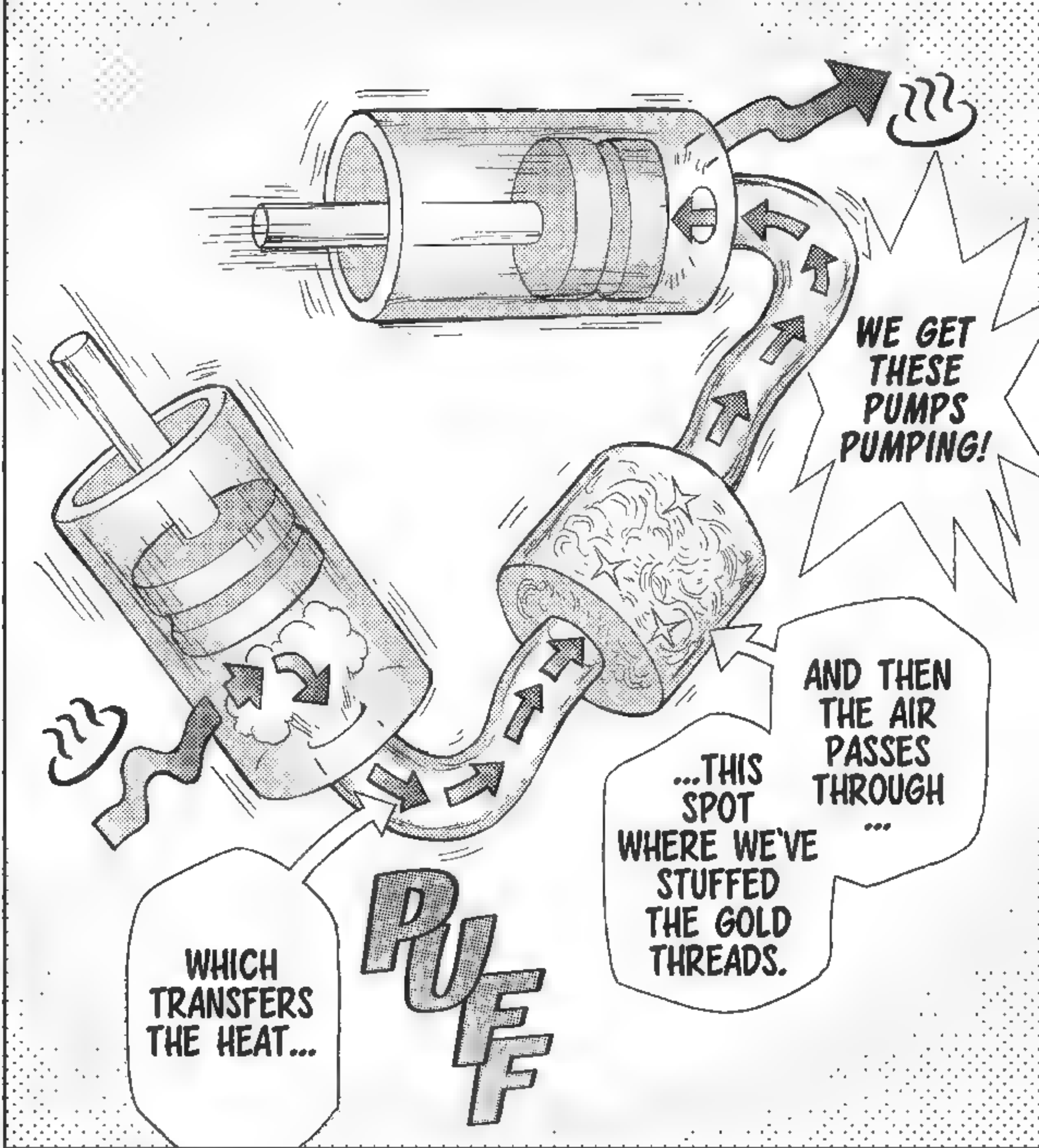
RR
MM
BB

RR
MM
BB



...AND
FREEZES
STUFF!!

KASHINK



WE GET
THESE
PUMPS
PUMPING!

AND THEN
THE AIR
PASSES
THROUGH
...

...THIS
SPOT
WHERE WE'VE
STUFFED
THE GOLD
THREADS.

WHICH
TRANSFERS
THE HEAT...

PUFF



WE
KNOW THAT
COLD KEEPS
FOOD FROM
GOING BAD...

...SO THIS
SHOULD ALSO
GO A LONG
WAY TOWARD
HELPING US
PRESERVE FOOD!

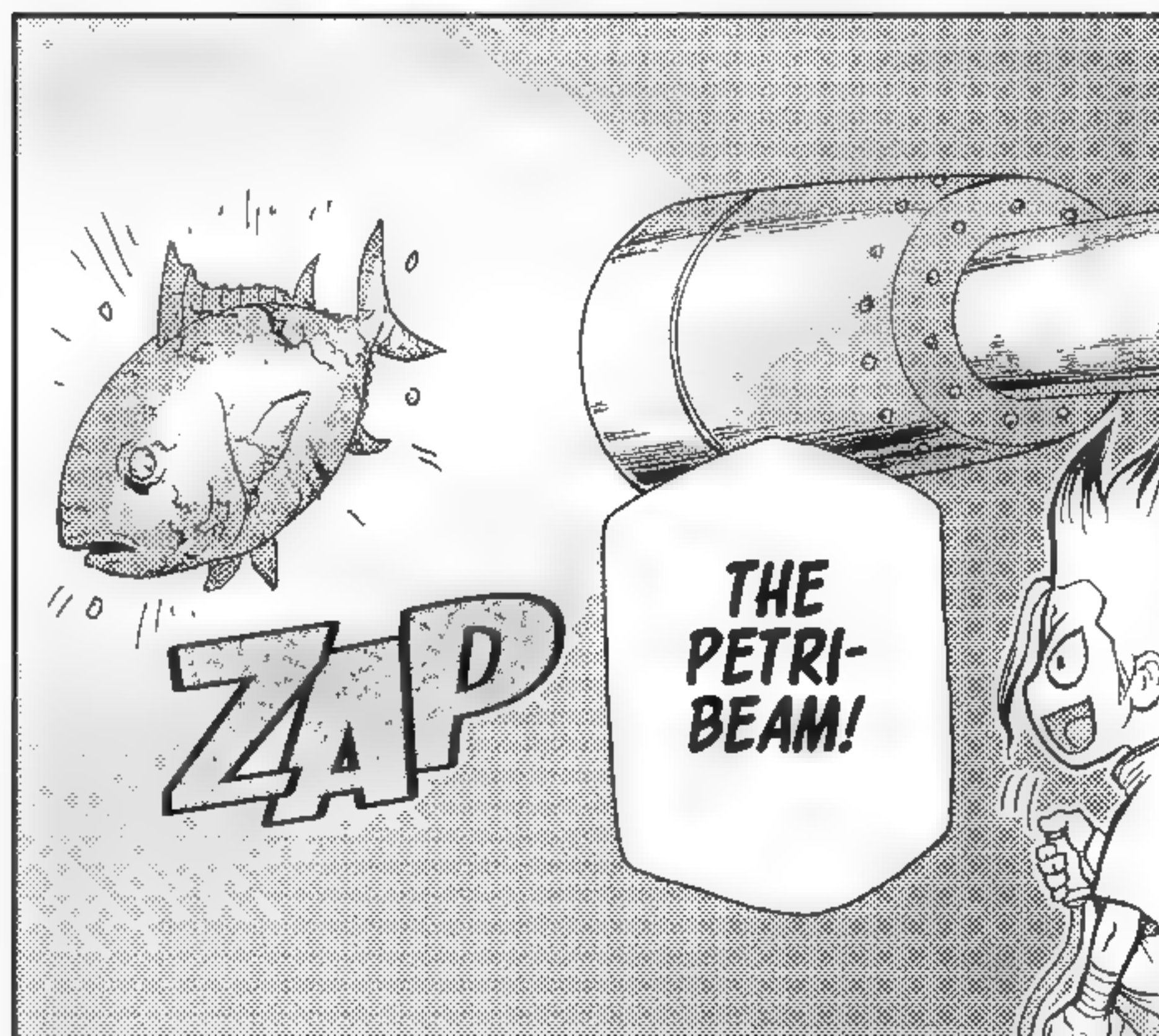
SUCH A SIMPLE
MECHANISM
IS CAPABLE
OF FREEZING
THINGS?!

MODERN
FREEZERS
ARE A
LITTLE MORE
COMPLEX.

C-COOL! STILL
NOT EXACTLY
SURE HOW IT
ALL WORKS,
BUT...

SOUNDS
REAL
BAAAD!!

RRMBB



THE
PETRI-
BEAM!

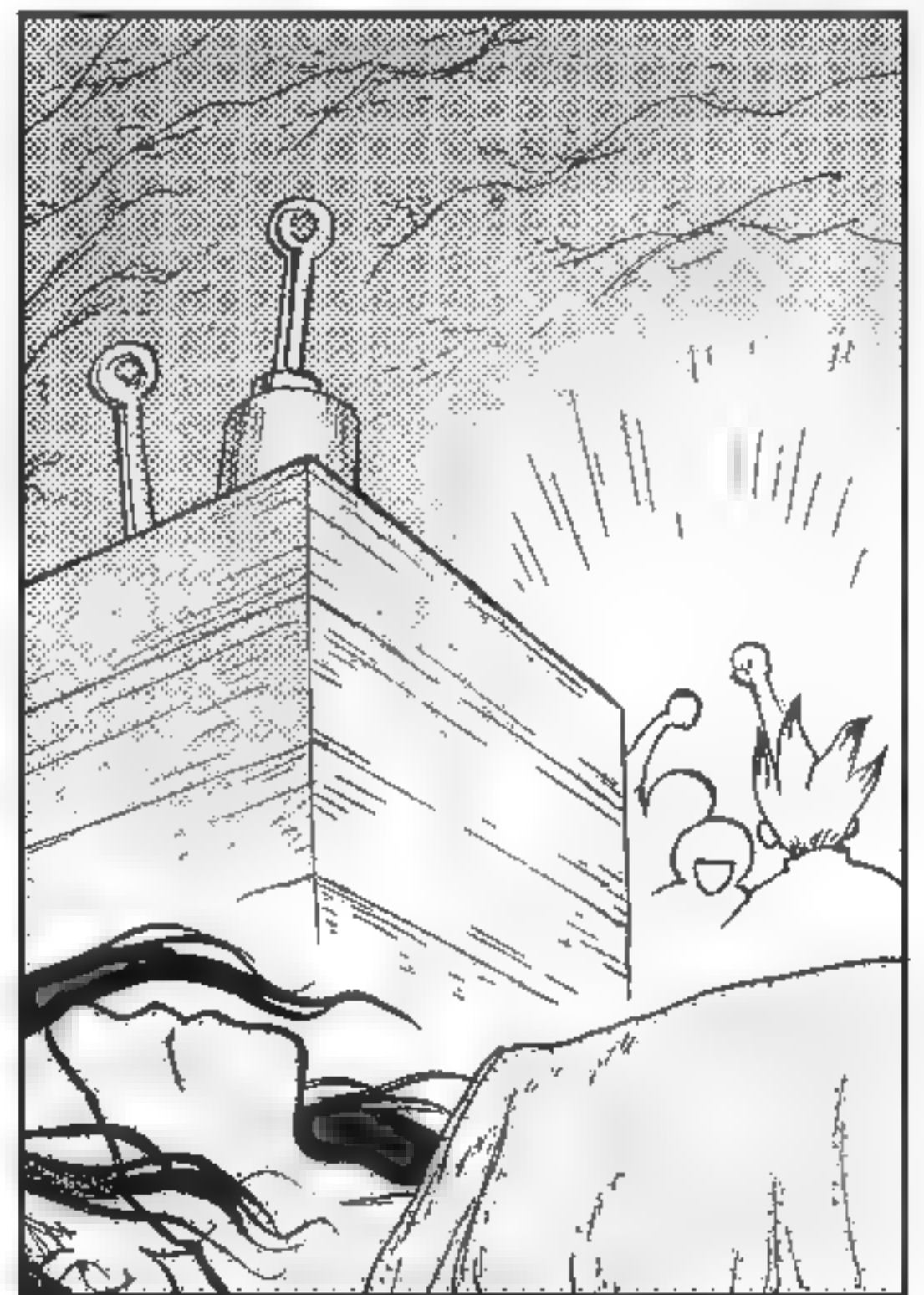
ZAP

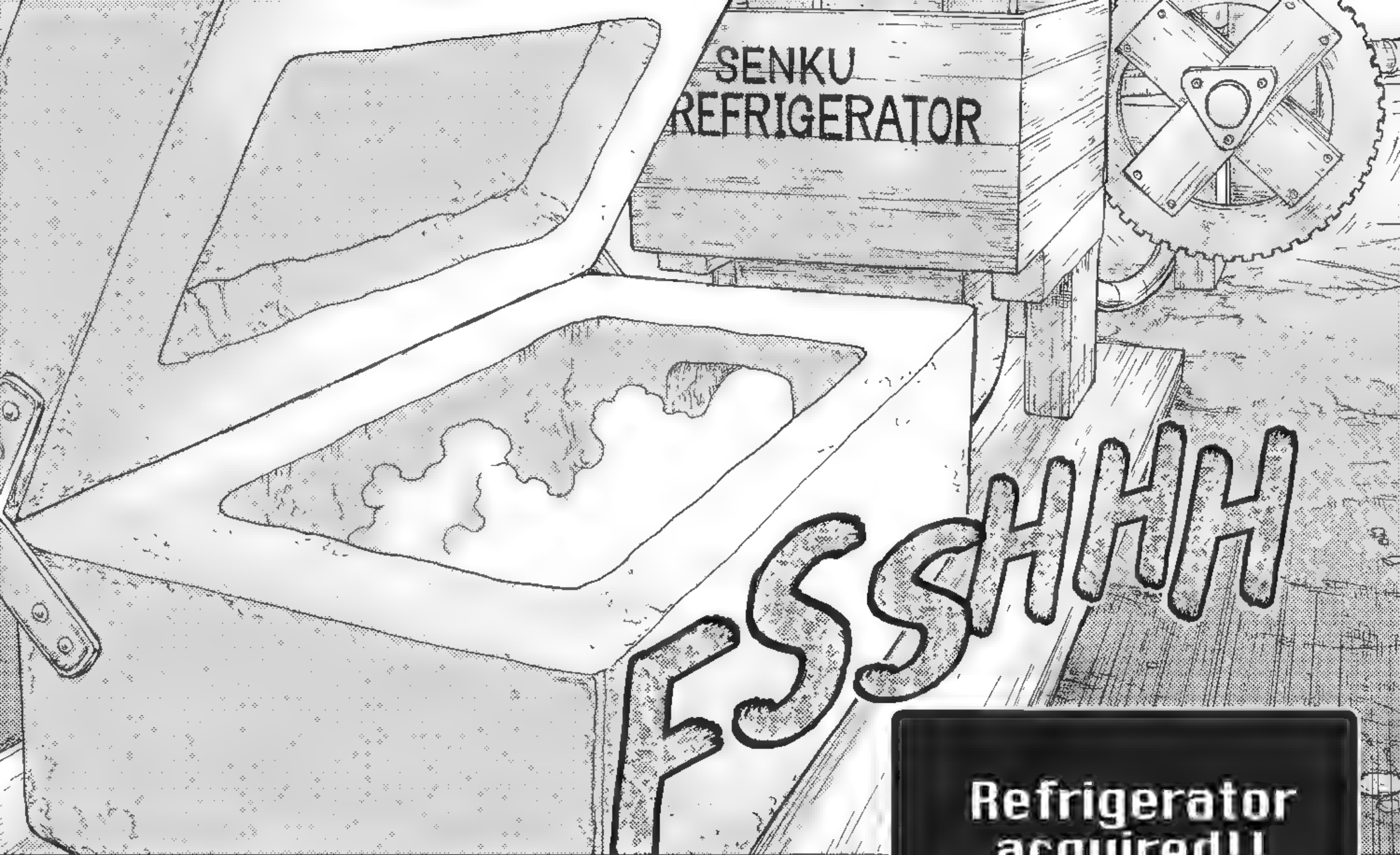


THERE'S A
CHANCE THIS'LL
LEAD TO A
TEN BILLION
PERCENT
PERFECT
METHOD!

YEAH. AND
SPEAKING
OF FOOD
PRESERVA-
TION...

$E=mc^2$





Refrigerator
acquired!!

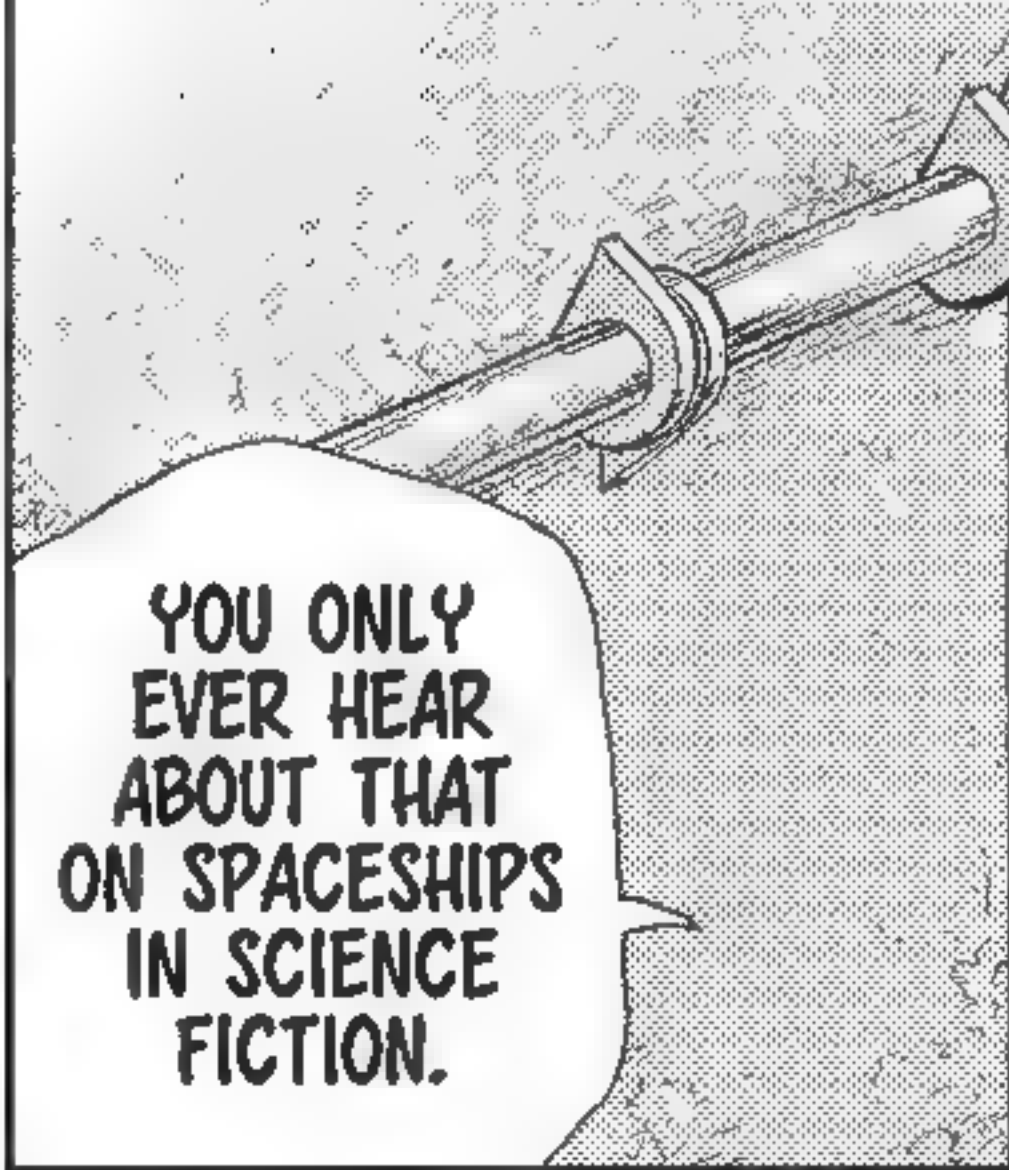
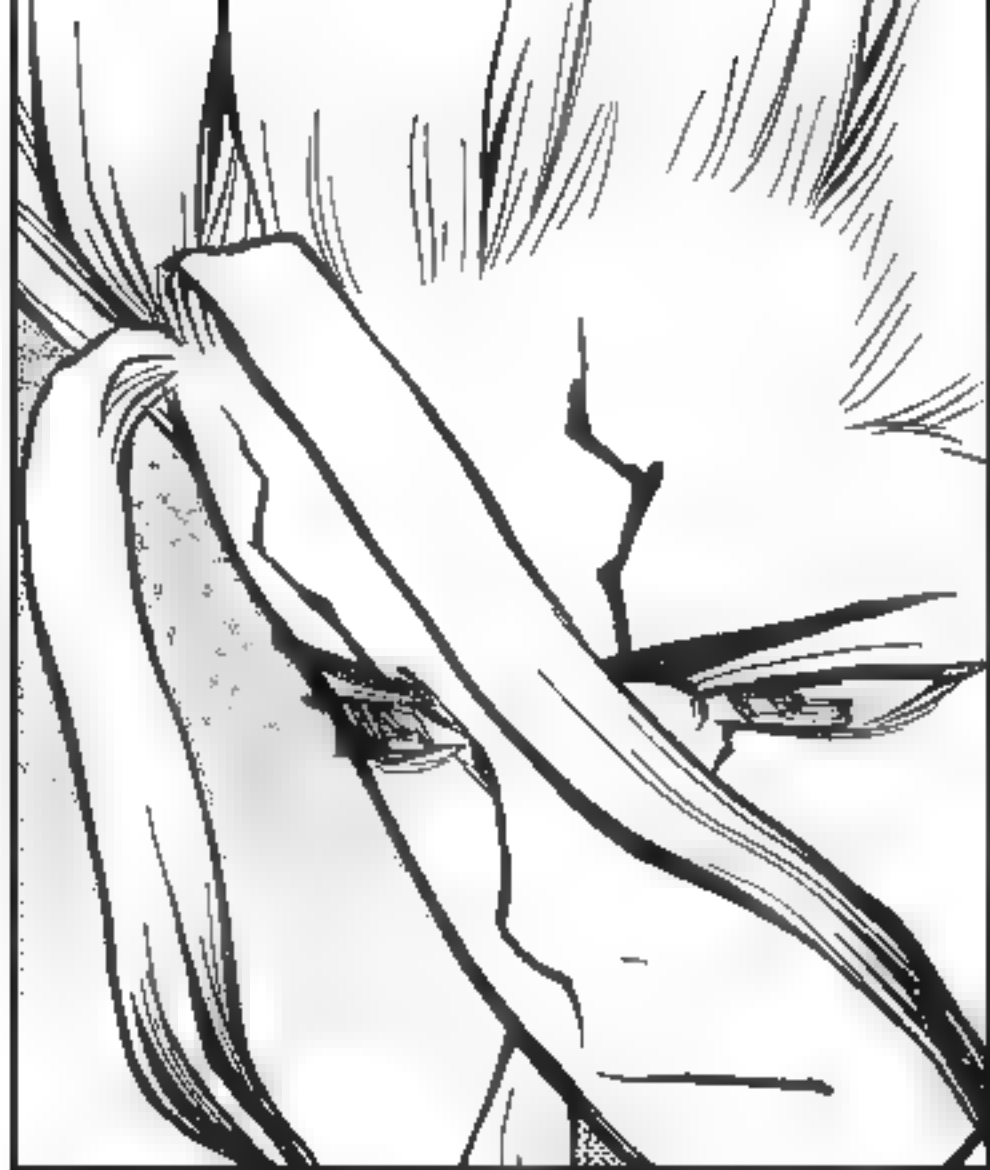


THOSE
TWO
ARE THE
CHIEFS
OF THEIR
TRIBES.



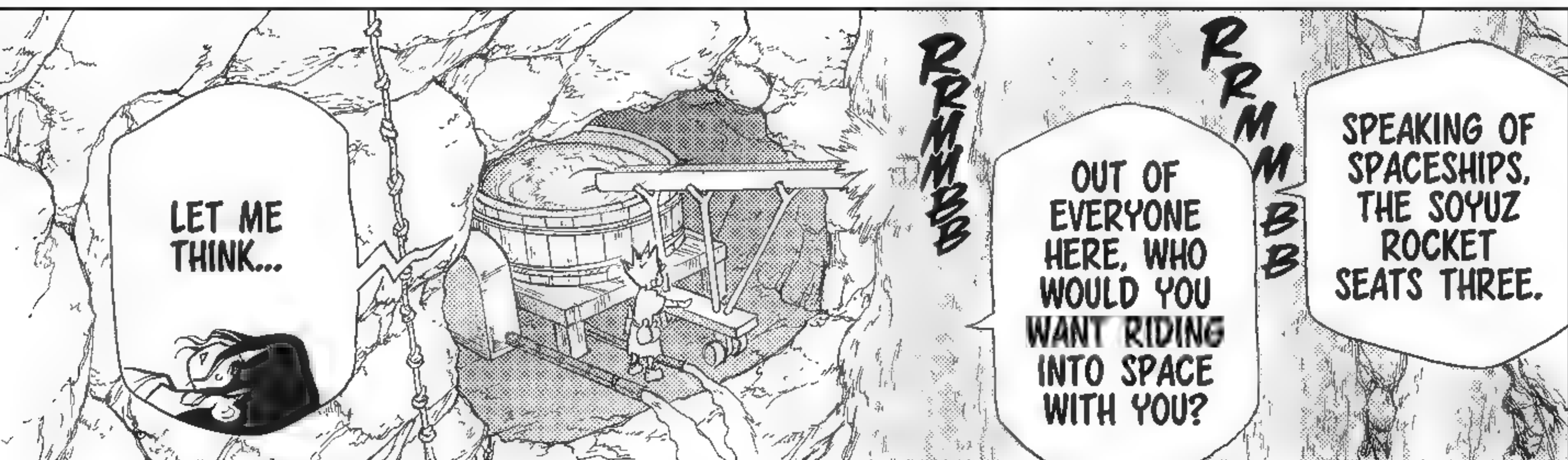
IF YOU EVER
HAD TO TAKE
A FRIEND'S
LIFE...

...WOULD
YOU WANT
PEOPLE
STANDING
AROUND
GAWKING?



YOU ONLY
EVER HEAR
ABOUT THAT
ON SPACESHIPS
IN SCIENCE
FICTION.

COLD
SLEEP,
HUH?



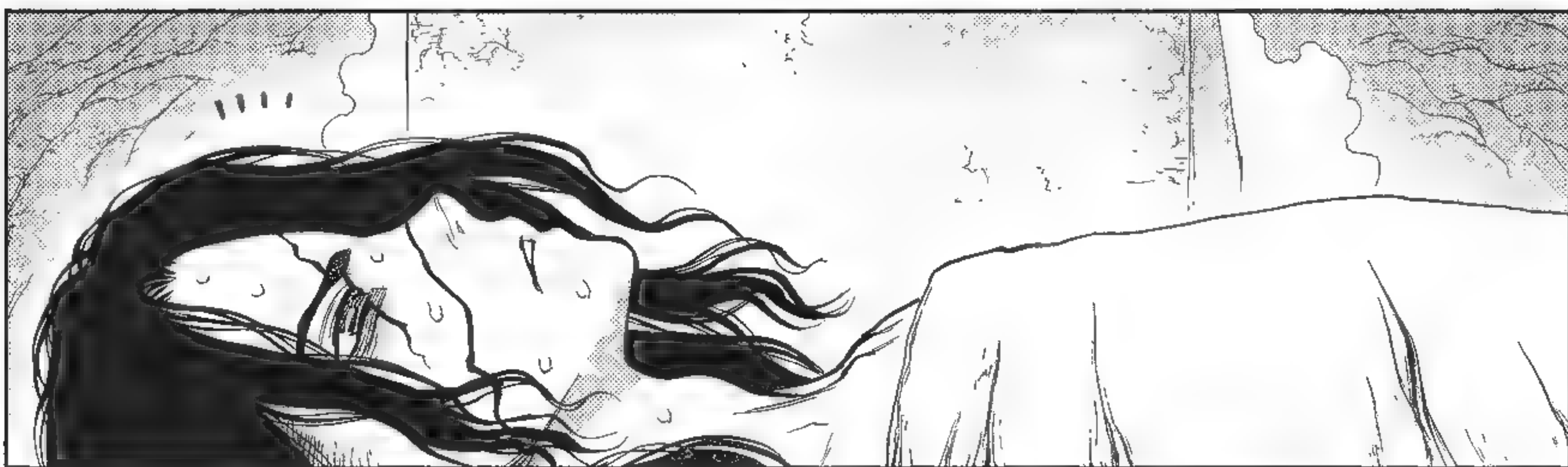
LET ME
THINK...

RR
MM
BB

OUT OF
EVERYONE
HERE, WHO
WOULD YOU
WANT RIDING
INTO SPACE
WITH YOU?

RR
MM
BB

SPEAKING OF
SPACESHIPS,
THE SOYUZ
ROCKET
SEATS THREE.



?

I'M JUST
MAKING
CONVERSA-
TION.
SHEESH.

HUH?

WAIT. FOR
MY FINAL
ACT...YOU
WANT ME...

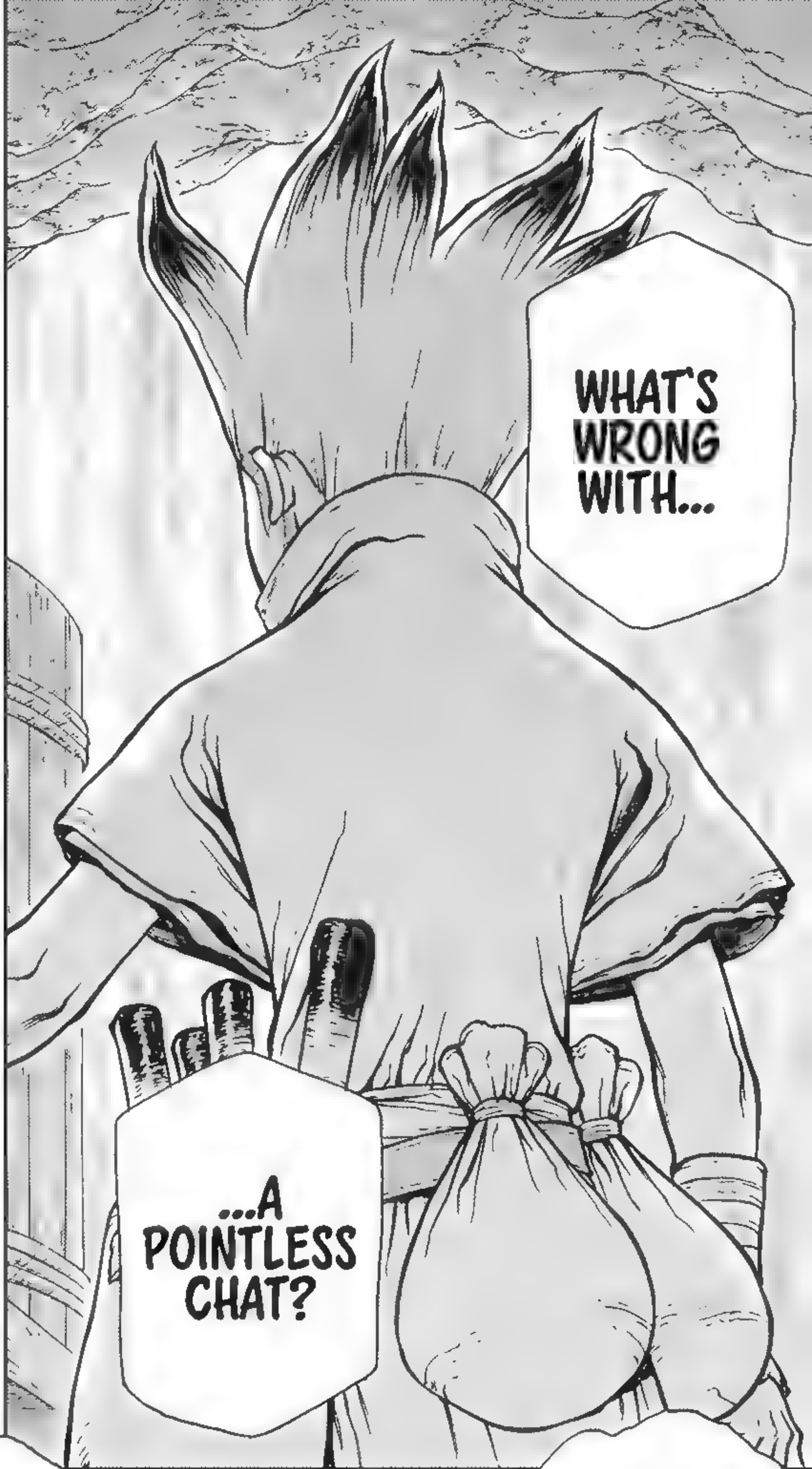
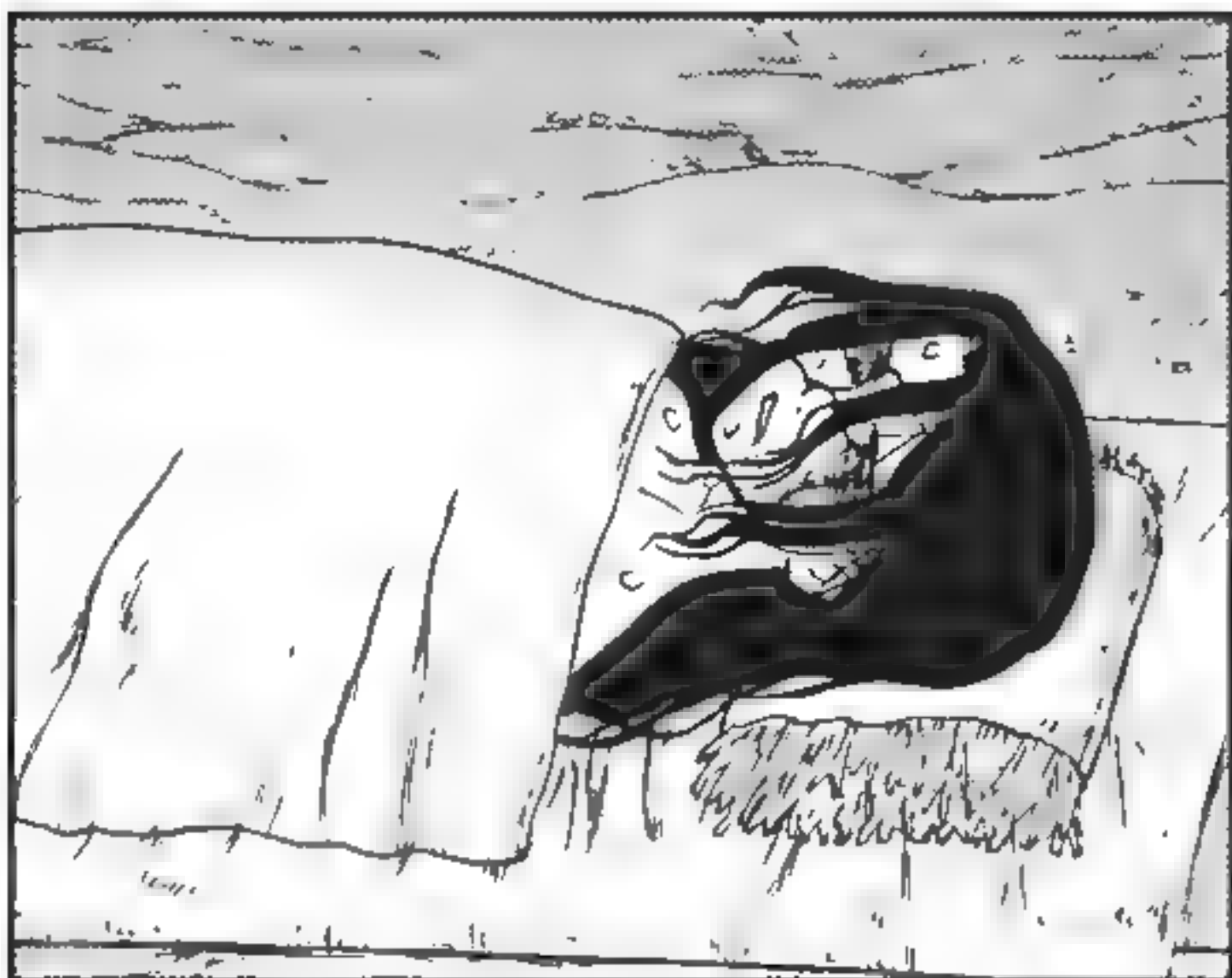
POINTLESS
CONVERSA-
TION?

NOW?

AT THE
BITTER-
SWEET
END?

...TO GIVE
YOU A LIST
OF THE MOST
COMPETENT
PEOPLE
HERE?





WHAT'S
WRONG
WITH...

...A
POINTLESS
CHAT?

HOW ABOUT
THAT GAL OF
YOURS? WITH
THE SHELLS ON
HER HEAD?

TAIJU, THEN...
MAYBE YOU, TOO?
NO. I'M NOT SURE
YOU HAVE THE
STAMINA FOR A
SPACE VOYAGE.

A
VALUABLE
COMMUNI-
CATOR
AMONG THOSE
I CHOSE TO
REVIVE.

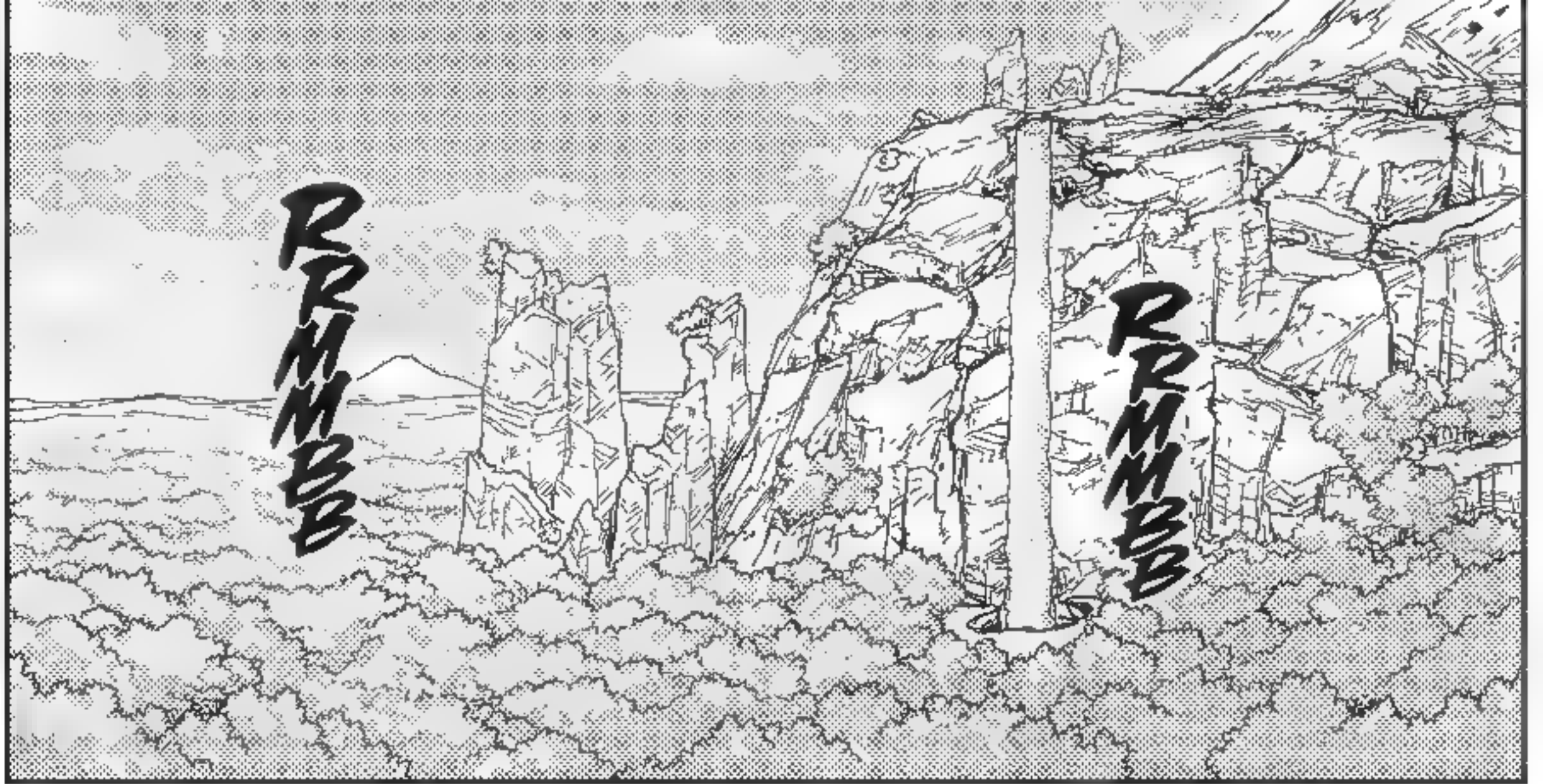
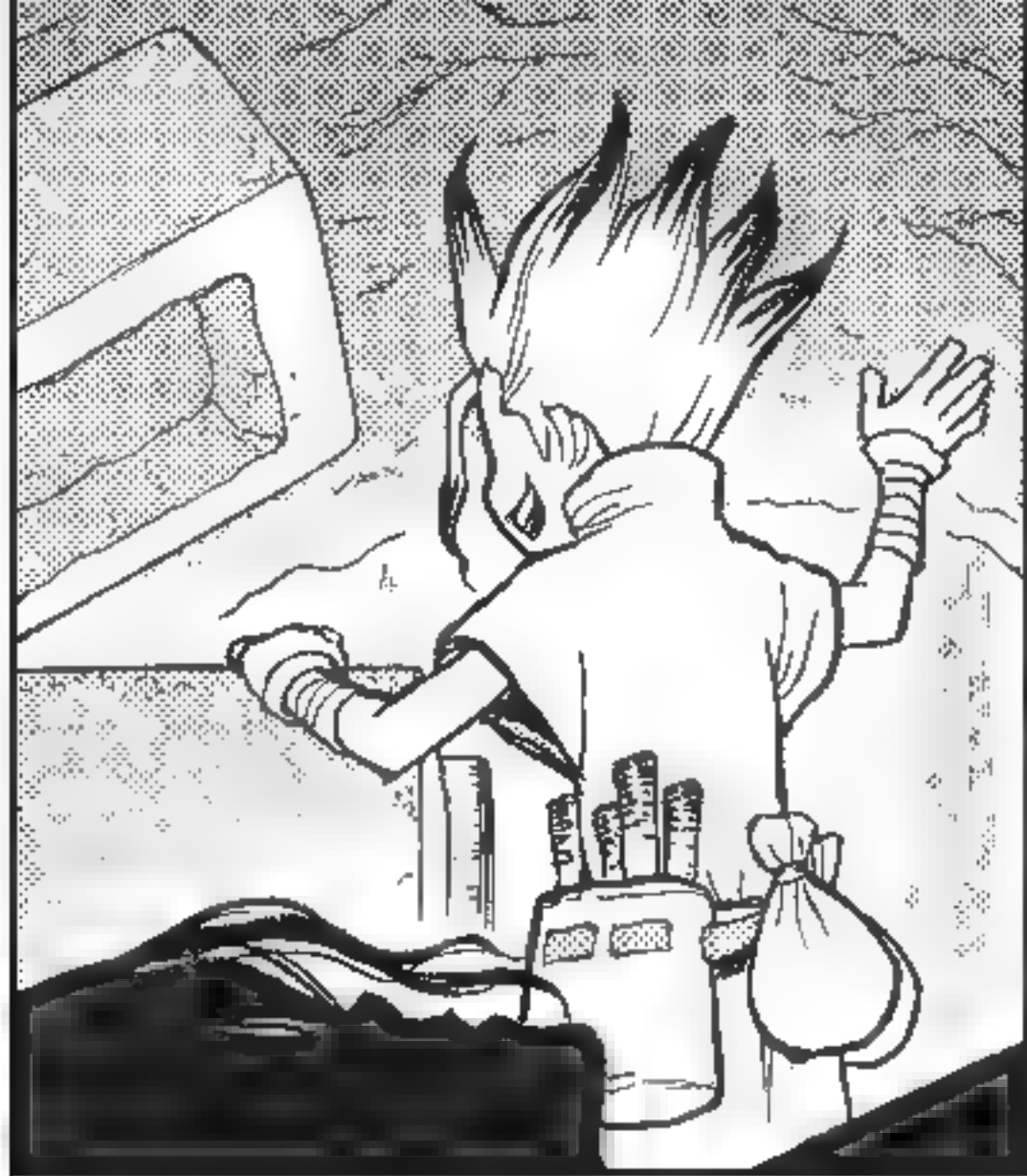
SHE WAS A
REPORTER.
IN THE OLD
WORLD.

IT
MAKES SENSE
THAT HISTORY'S
STRONGEST
PRIMATE WOULD
GO FOR THE
MARILYN MONROE
TYPE.

HEH
HEH HEH...
AND HERE
I THOUGHT
YOU VALUED
HER OTHER
ASSETS...

YEAH. GOOD
CHOICE. I'D BE
DEADWEIGHT,
RIGHT?

MY THIRD
MAN WOULD
BE CHROME.



I'M TEN
BILLION
PERCENT
CONVINCED
IT'S A
HALLUCINA-
TION.

...HE ONLY
FEELS LIKE
HE'S GROWING
BIGGER,
RIGHT?

SO ANYWAY,
WHEN MARIO
EATS THE
MUSH-
ROOM...

CUZ THOSE'RE
FULL OF IBOTENIC
ACID, WHICH
MAKES PEOPLE
HALLUCINATE AT
HIGH ENOUGH
DOSES.

RED WITH
WHITE
SPOTS, YOU
KNOW?

I TOTALLY
BUY THE
THEORY
THAT IT'S
AN AMANITA
MUSCARIA
SHROOM.

MAKES
SENSE,
DOESN'T
IT?

DON'TCHA
THINK...

RIGHT?



LATER...

TSUKASA.





...I GET TO
PROTECT
HIM.

THIS
TIME...

TO MAKE
SURE HE
DOESN'T
BREAK.

EVERY
DAY, I'LL
WATCH
OVER
HIM.

TSUKASA...

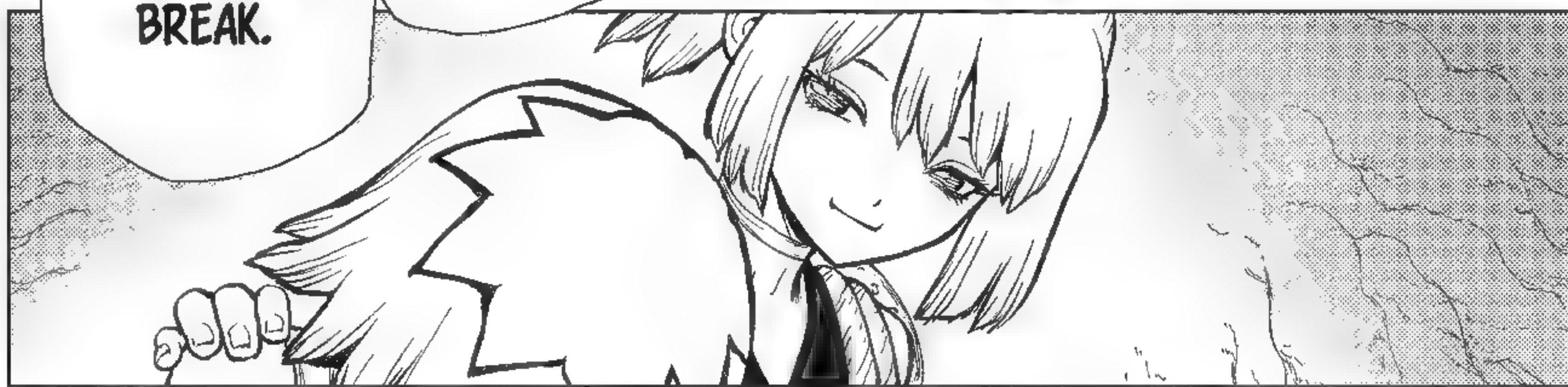
HE
PROTECTED
ME...



K
L
A
N
G

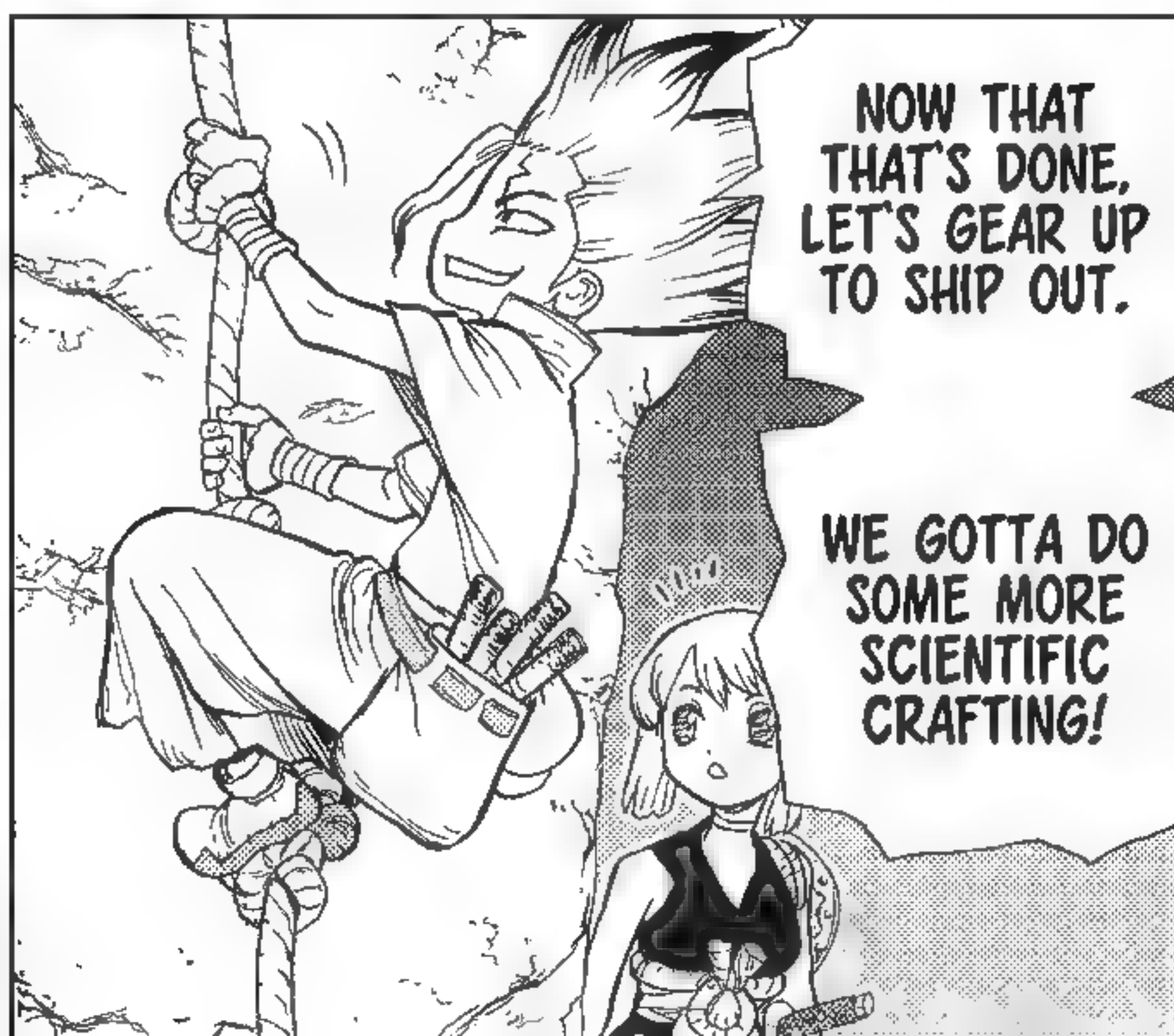


...FOR
SO MANY
YEARS.



CUZ
BYAKUYA
AND HIS
BUDS...

...LEFT
US SOME
VALUABLE
INFO,
THOUSANDS
OF YEARS
BACK.



NOW THAT
THAT'S DONE,
LET'S GEAR UP
TO SHIP OUT.

WE GOTTA DO
SOME MORE
SCIENTIFIC
CRAFTING!



WE'LL SET
OUT ACROSS
THIS PLANET
TO UNRAVEL
EVERY LAST
MYSTERY!

ALL
ABOARD...

...FOR THE
FANTASTIC
STONE
AGE OF
EXPLORATION
VOYAGE!!

OH YEAH?
WELL...

WE'VE GOT
BRAINS AND
HEART TO
DO IT!

WE CAN
MAKE IT FROM
ONE CORNER
OF THE
WORLD TO
THE OTHER!!

EXACTLY!



...WAS ON
THE OTHER
SIDE OF THE
EARTH!

WE KNOW
THAT THE
SOURCE
OF THE
PETRIFICA-
TION
BEAM...

HOW DO
WE GET
ALL THE
WAY OVER
THERE?!

WHUT?
THE
OTHER
SIDE...?

BUT OVER
TENS OF
THOUSANDS
OF
YEARS...

...AND
I DARESAY
THEY HAD
SOME
SOLID,
POWERFUL
LEGS ON
THEM.

HUH? IT'S
NOTHING.

EVEN
NEANDER-
THALS
MANAGED
TO GET
ACROSS
EURASIA.



MECHA
SENKU

Q & A

SEARCH

Question Corner

In the story Tsukasa told in chapter 1, was he actually talking about his own past? And was the little sister who loved mermaids actually Mirai?

K.K. from Kangawa Prefecture

SEARCH

Well, duh!!



In the original fairy tale about the mermaid, she dissolves into bubbles in the end, but Tsukasa gave the story a happy ending when he told it to Mirai!

Science Questions

How does one make gasoline out of plastic bottle caps?

Character Questions

If Taiju and Tsukasa really fought, who would win?

Questions That Aren't Really Questions

I wanna get petrified and challenge myself to count the seconds...

Now accepting any and all queries! Submit ten billion questions to me!

My name is

MECHA
SENKU!!

WHRRRR KLANK

DR. STONE

Z=84: People = Power

CHATTER

LOOK AT
HOW MANY
PEOPLE
ARE
HERE!!

THERE'RE
EVEN MORE
FROM THE
PRIMITIVE
TRIBE!

CHATTER

EVERYONE'S...
GATHERED
TOGETHER?!

CHATTER

SUIKA'S
NEVER
SEEN...

...SUCH
A BIG
CROWD!!

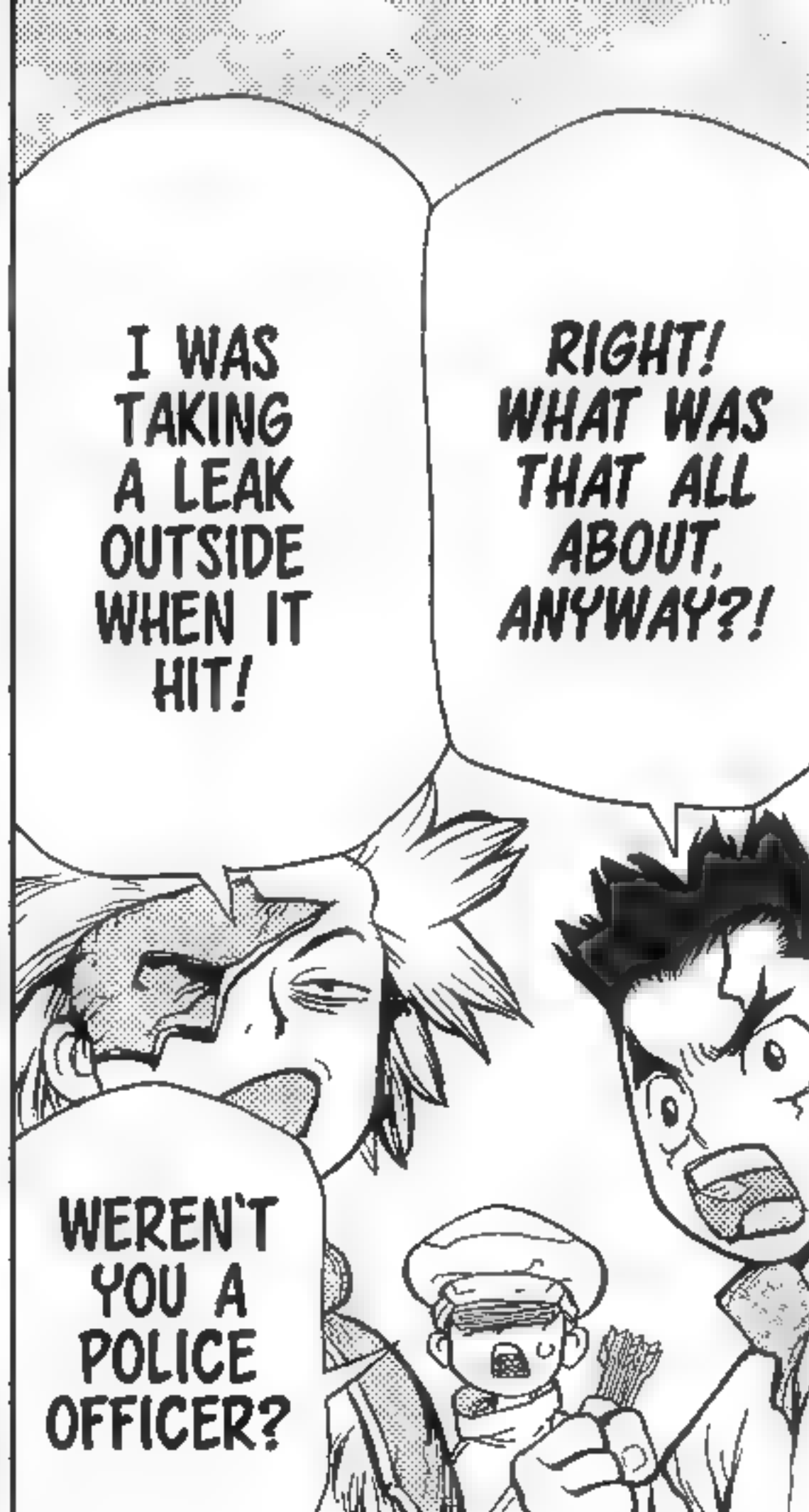
WE NEVER
HAD THIS
MANY
DURING
TSUKASA'S
REIGN.





...ANOTHER
WAVE
COULD END
HUMANITY
FOR GOOD.

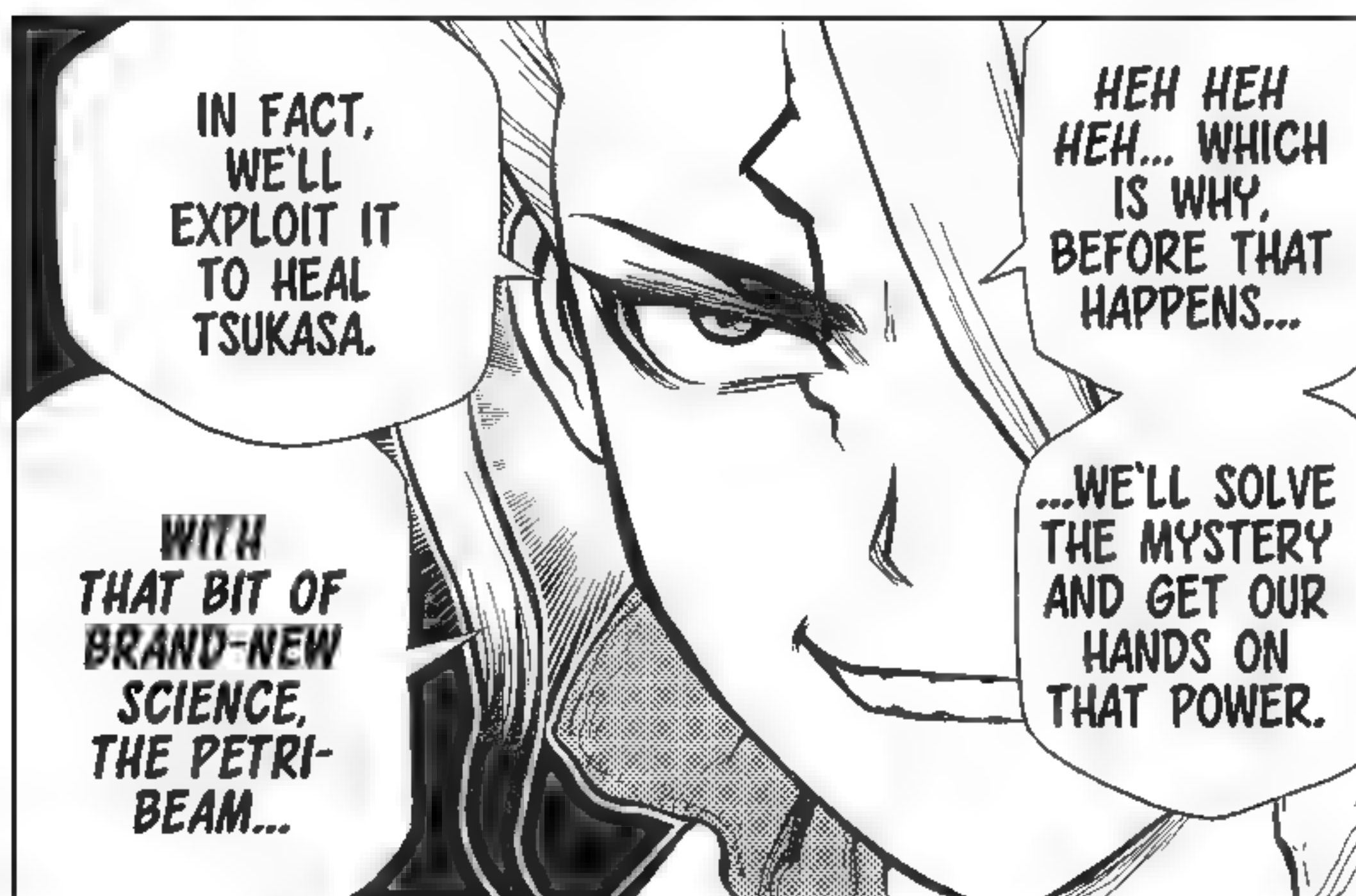
IF THE
PHE-
NOMENON
REALLY
WAS AN
ATTACK...



I WAS
TAKING
A LEAK
OUTSIDE
WHEN IT
HIT!

RIGHT!
WHAT WAS
THAT ALL
ABOUT,
ANYWAY?!

WEREN'T
YOU A
POLICE
OFFICER?



IN FACT,
WE'LL
EXPLOIT IT
TO HEAL
TSUKASA.

WITH
THAT BIT OF
BRAND-NEW
SCIENCE,
THE PETRI-
BEAM...

HEH HEH
HEH... WHICH
IS WHY,
BEFORE THAT
HAPPENS...

...WE'LL SOLVE
THE MYSTERY
AND GET OUR
HANDS ON
THAT POWER.



AHEM! AROUND
3,700 YEARS
AGO, A SUPER-
MYSTERIOUS
BLAST OF LIGHT...

...TURNED ALL
OF HUMANITY
TO STONE.



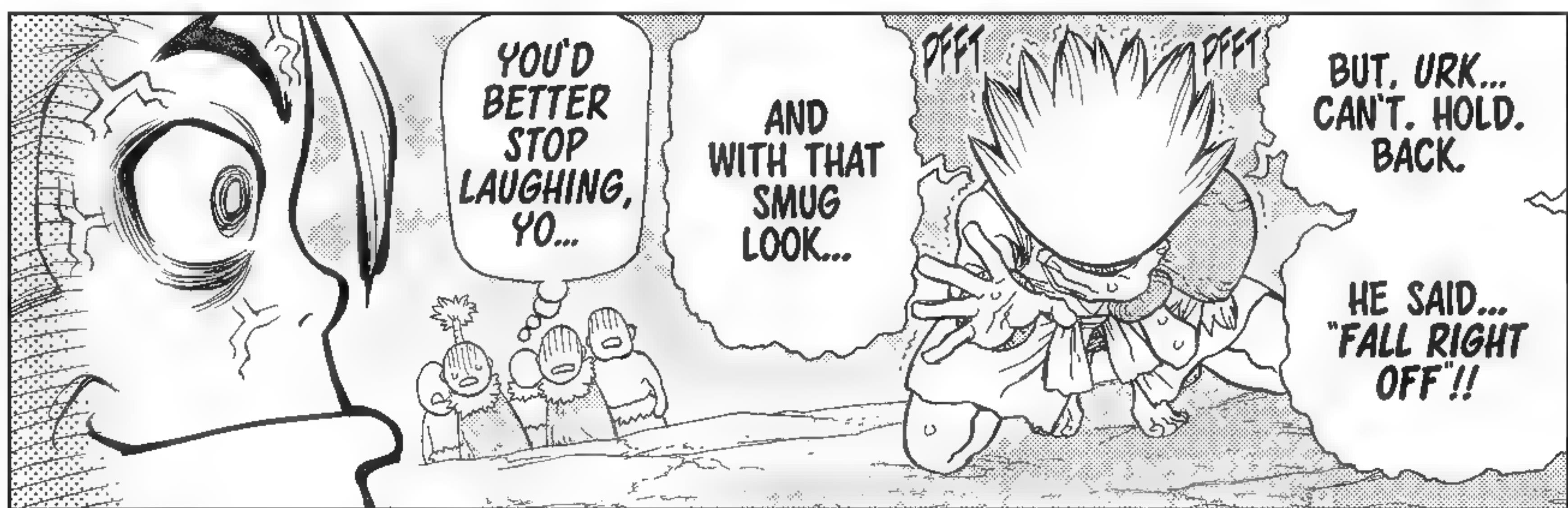
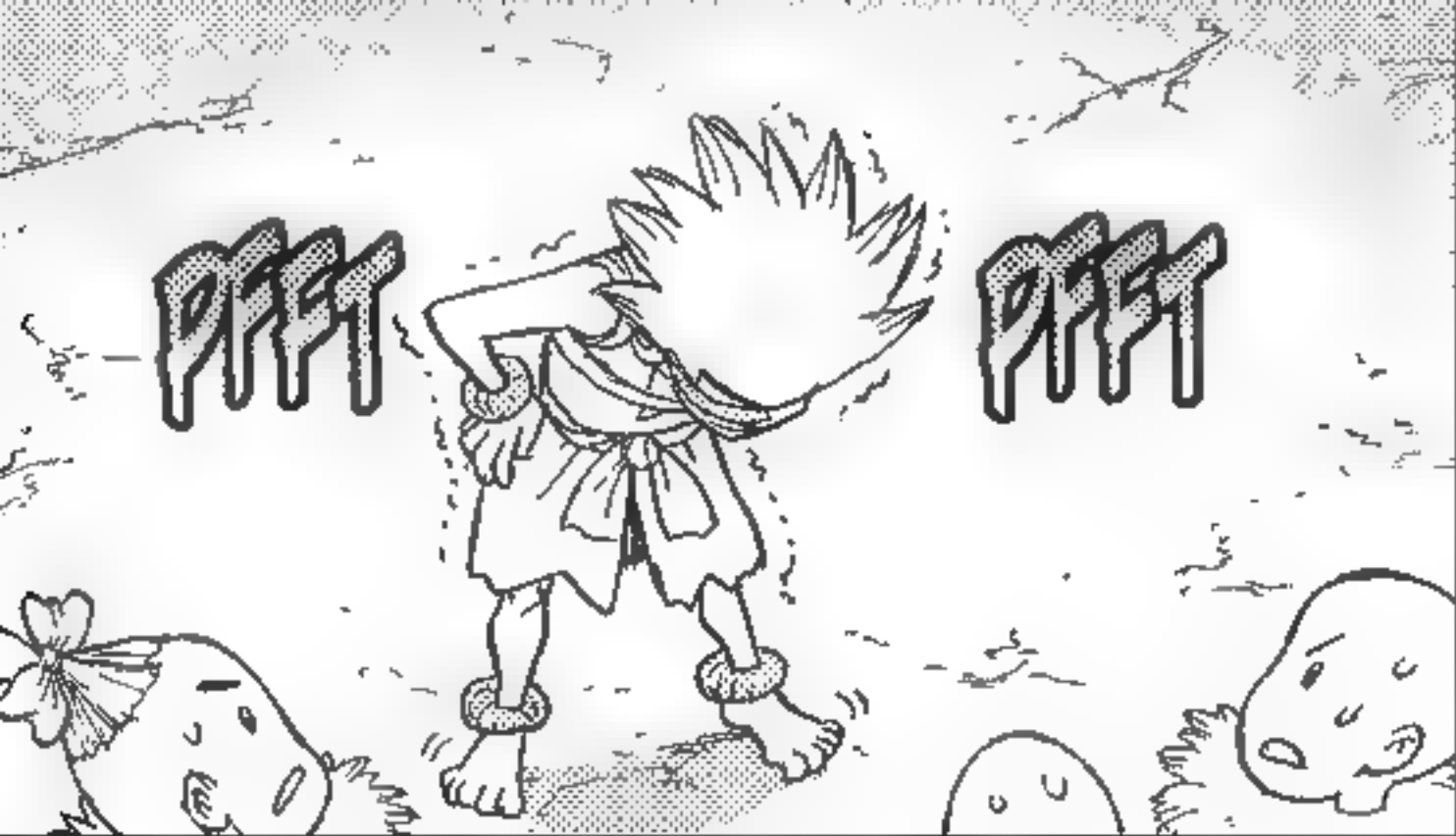
...ON THE
OTHER SIDE
OF THE
WORLD!!

...OF
THE
WORLD
?!

THE
OTHER
SIDE...

FOR THAT,
WE NEED
TO HEAD TO
THE ORIGIN
OF THE
LIGHT...

OUR NEW
CIVILIZATION
WILL
SURPASS
THE OLD
ONE!





LOOKS AS
THOUGH I
HAVE MY
WORK
CUT OUT
FOR ME.

AS A
MENTALIST...

TRYING
TO UNIFY
FORMER
ENEMIES...

IT'S TO BE
EXPECTED.

...WAS
ALWAYS
GOING TO
BE AN
UPHILL
ATTLE-BAY.



IT
SEEMED THE
APPROPRIATE
THING TO MAKE,
IN LIGHT OF
EVERYTHING.

Kind of
sets the
mood,
huh?



WHAT'S
THIS
ABOUT?



I SUPPOSE
WE
WON'T BE
WALKING
THERE?

THE
OTHER
SIDE
OF THE
WORLD!

NO WAY!
WE'RE
GONNA
CROSS THE
OCEAN.



FWUP

THAT'S
RIGHT!
BECAUSE
ALL OF US
ARE ABOUT
TO...

...BUILD
A
BOAT!!

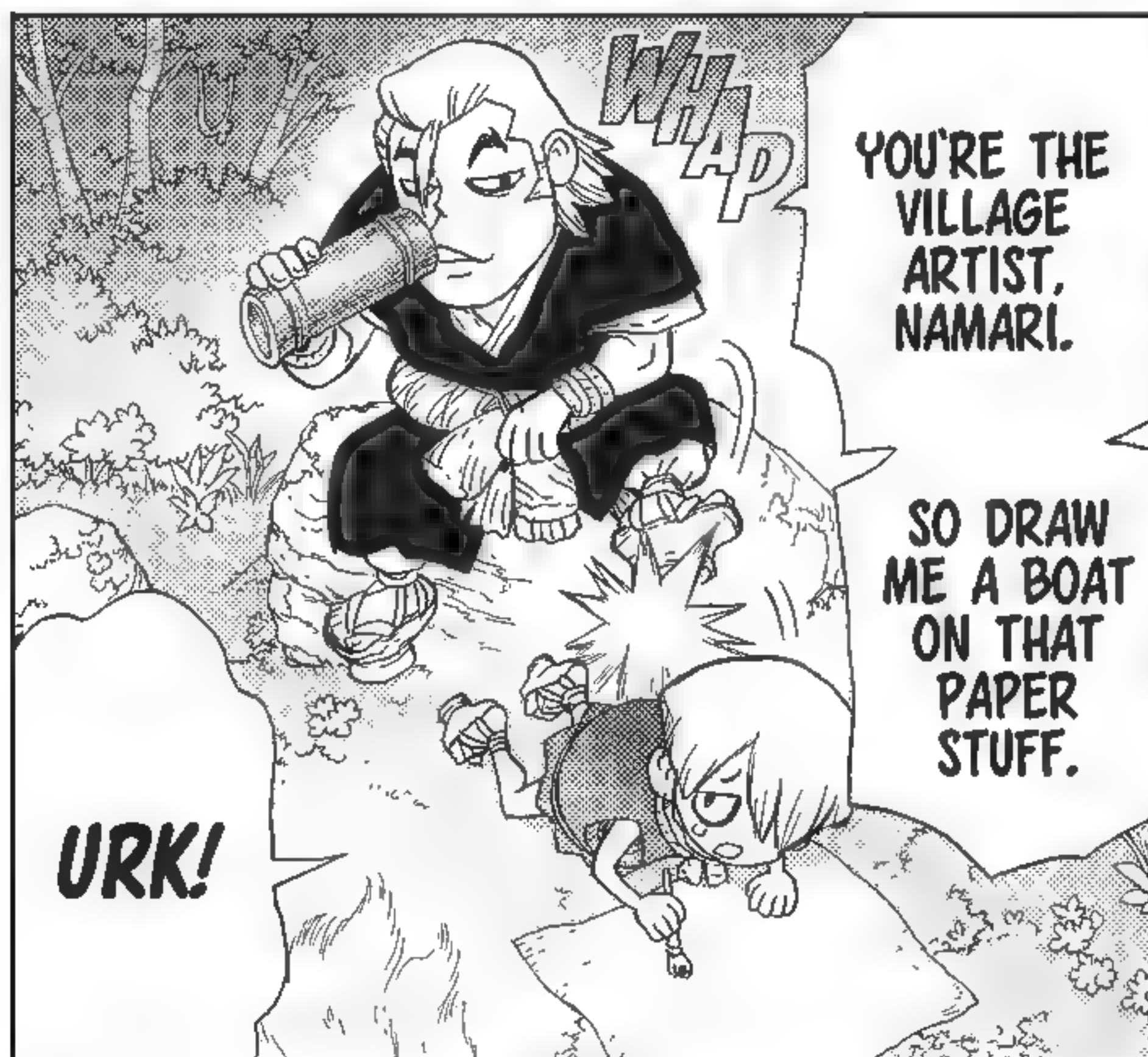


WOOO!



LEAVE IT
TO ME!!

MWA
HA HA HA!
BOATS ARE
OUR FORTE!



YOU'RE THE
VILLAGE
ARTIST,
NAMARI.

SO DRAW
ME A BOAT
ON THAT
PAPER
STUFF.

WHAP

URK!



A CALL
FROM
MANTLE?

HE WAS
ASKING
ABOUT
BOAT
BUILDING.

MM-HMM
MM-HMM...

GREAT
...

...AT LEAST
UNTIL WE
TAKE DOWN
THAT TSUKASA
GUY!

YOU HEAR
ME, SENKU?
I DON'T CARE
IF YOU'RE
THE BOSS...

...IS GONNA
BE LOOKING
FOR A
LEADER TO
FOLLOW,
RIGHT?

WITH
TSUKASA
OUTTA THE
WAY...

...HIS WHOLE
ARMY OF
GOONS...

I'LL MAKE IT
REAL CLEAR
WHO THAT
OUGHTA BE!



I JUST
OVERHEARD
A REAL
GOOD IDEA
TO STEAL!

ZOOH

GIMME A
HAND, YOU
GUYS!!



BRILLIANT
IDEA,
MAGMA!

SO I'LL TAKE
CHARGE AND
SHOW I CAN
LEAD!!

KRAK

MAKES
SENSE THAT
THEY'D
WANNA
FOLLOW...

...THE
MAN WHO'S
HANDLING
THIS BOAT
BUSINESS.

OH HHHH
!!

OH...



! TOM P

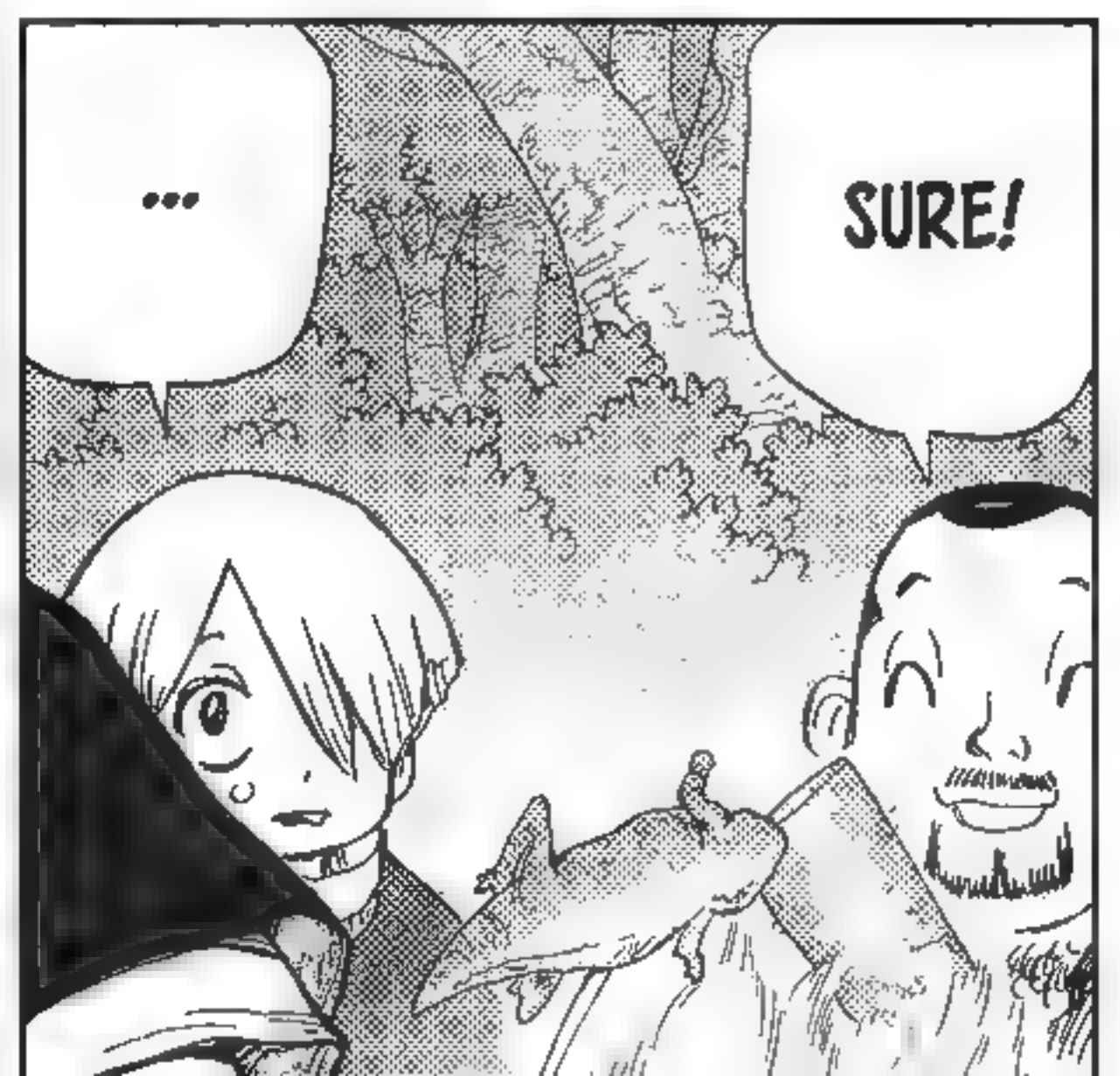
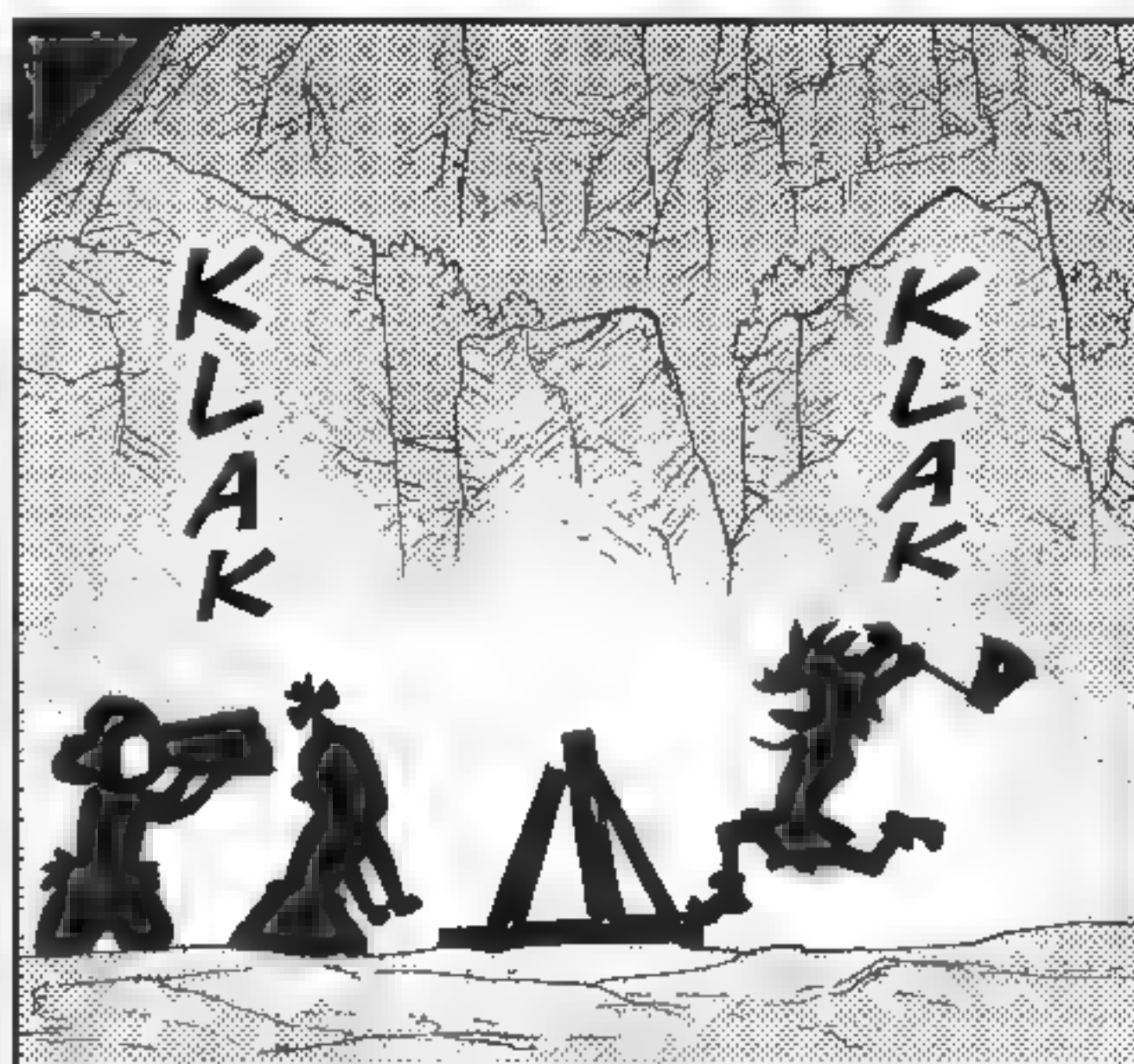
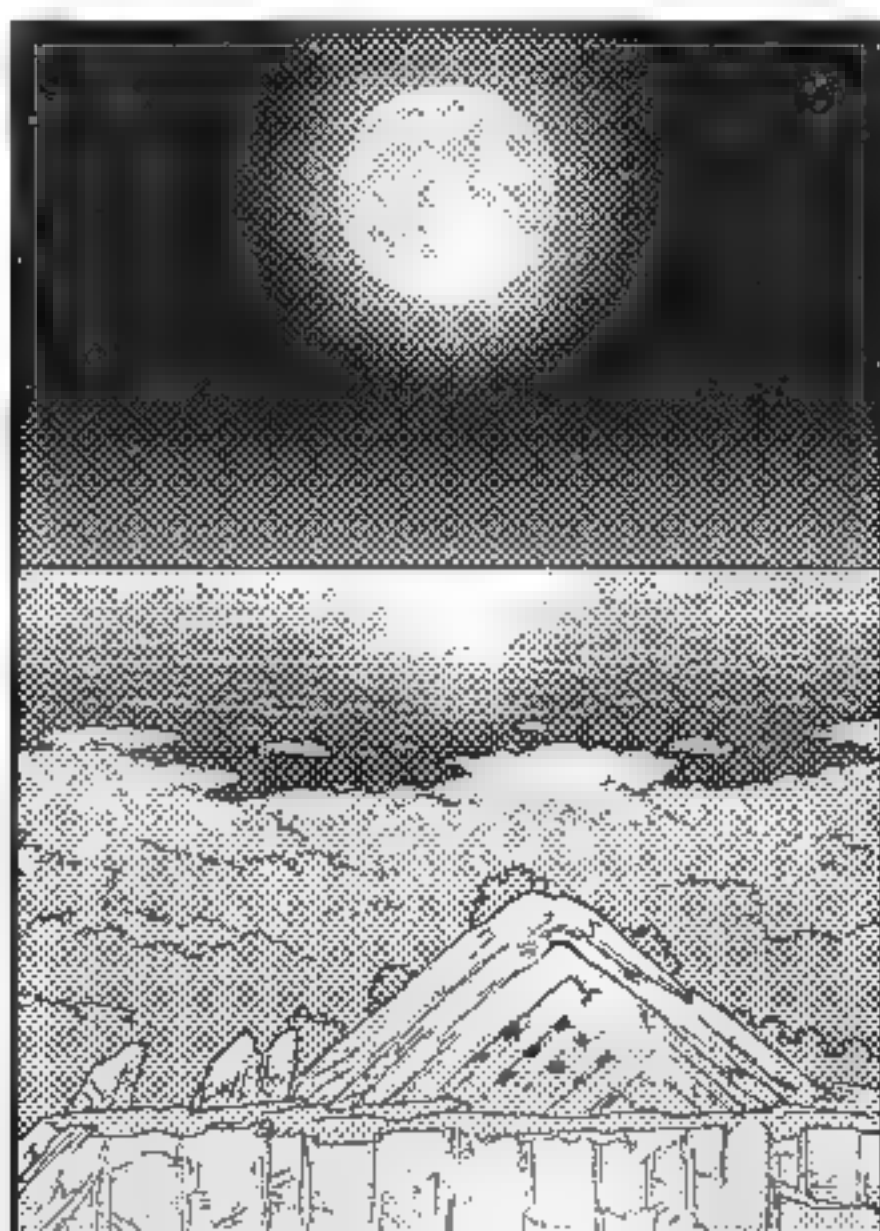
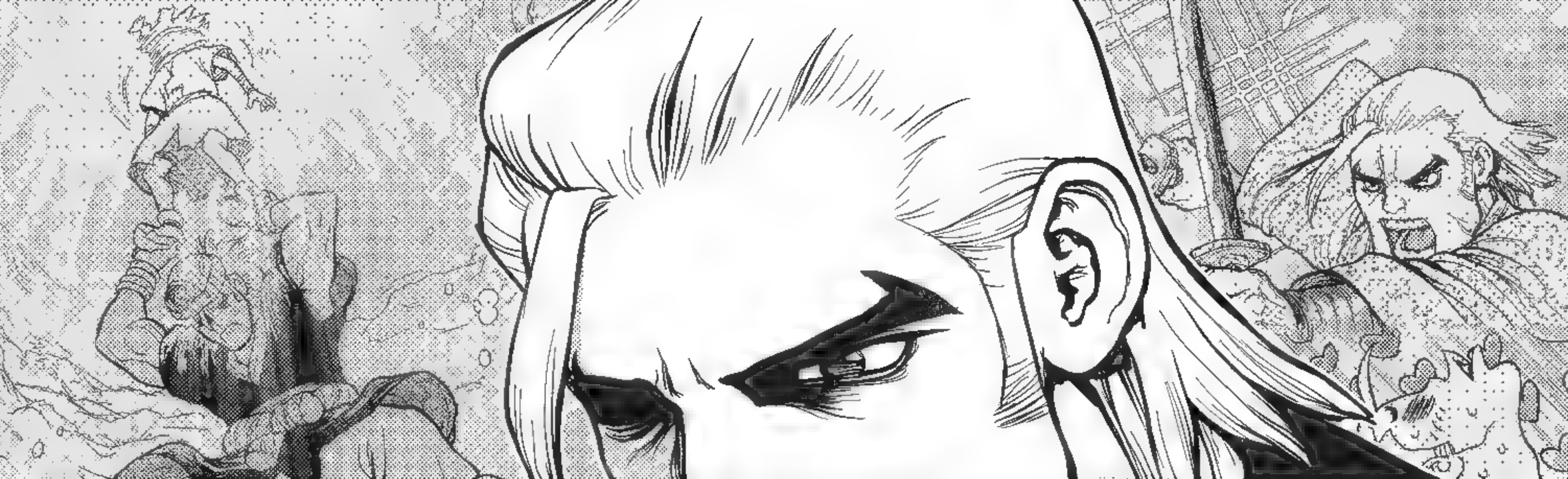


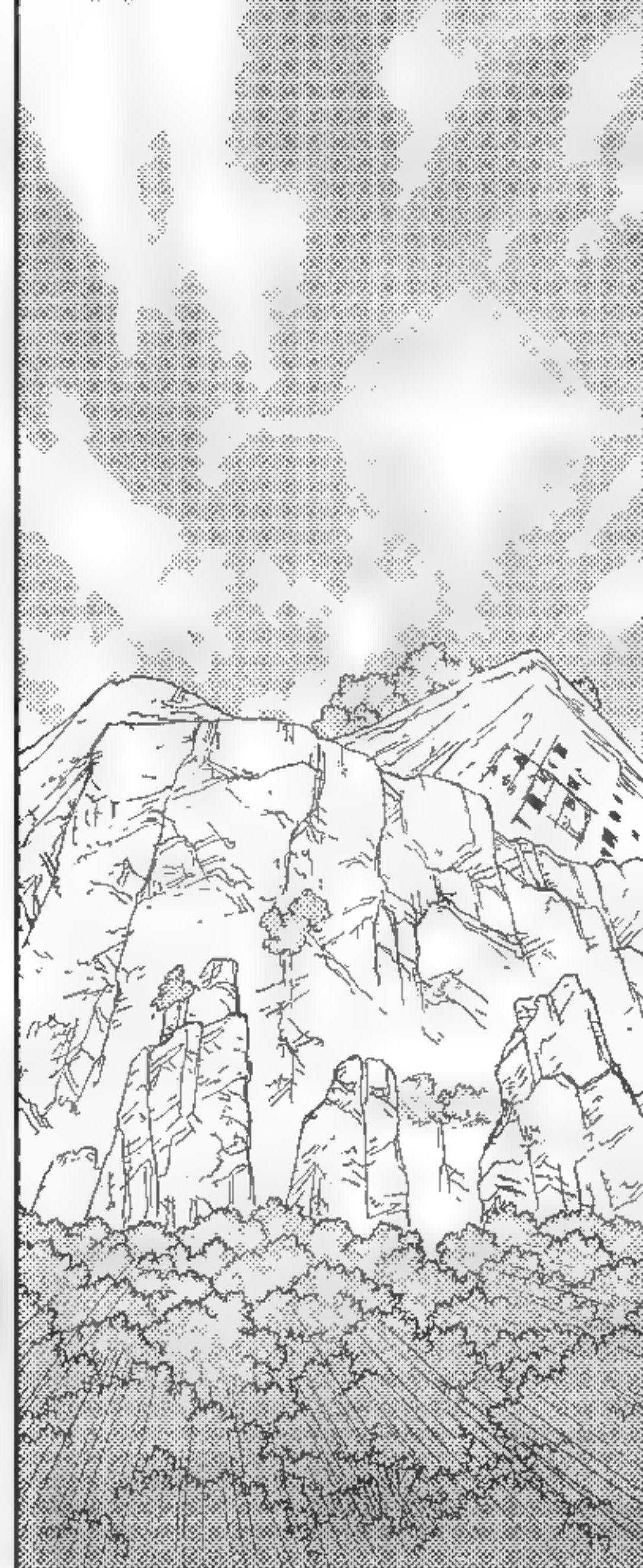
WHY GO TO
ALL THAT
TROUBLE,
THOUGH?

SINCE
TSUKASA IS
OUTTA THE
PICTURE
NOW...

...WHY NOT JUST
KILL SENKU
UNDER COVER OF
DARKNESS AND BE
DONE WITH IT?

And claim that
he named you as
his successor, or
whatever...







HEY...

I'LL GIVE MY
PRESENTATION
LAST.



...IS
ALREADY
BUILT AND
READY TO
GO!!

WHY?
BECAUSE
MY
AWESOME
BOAT...

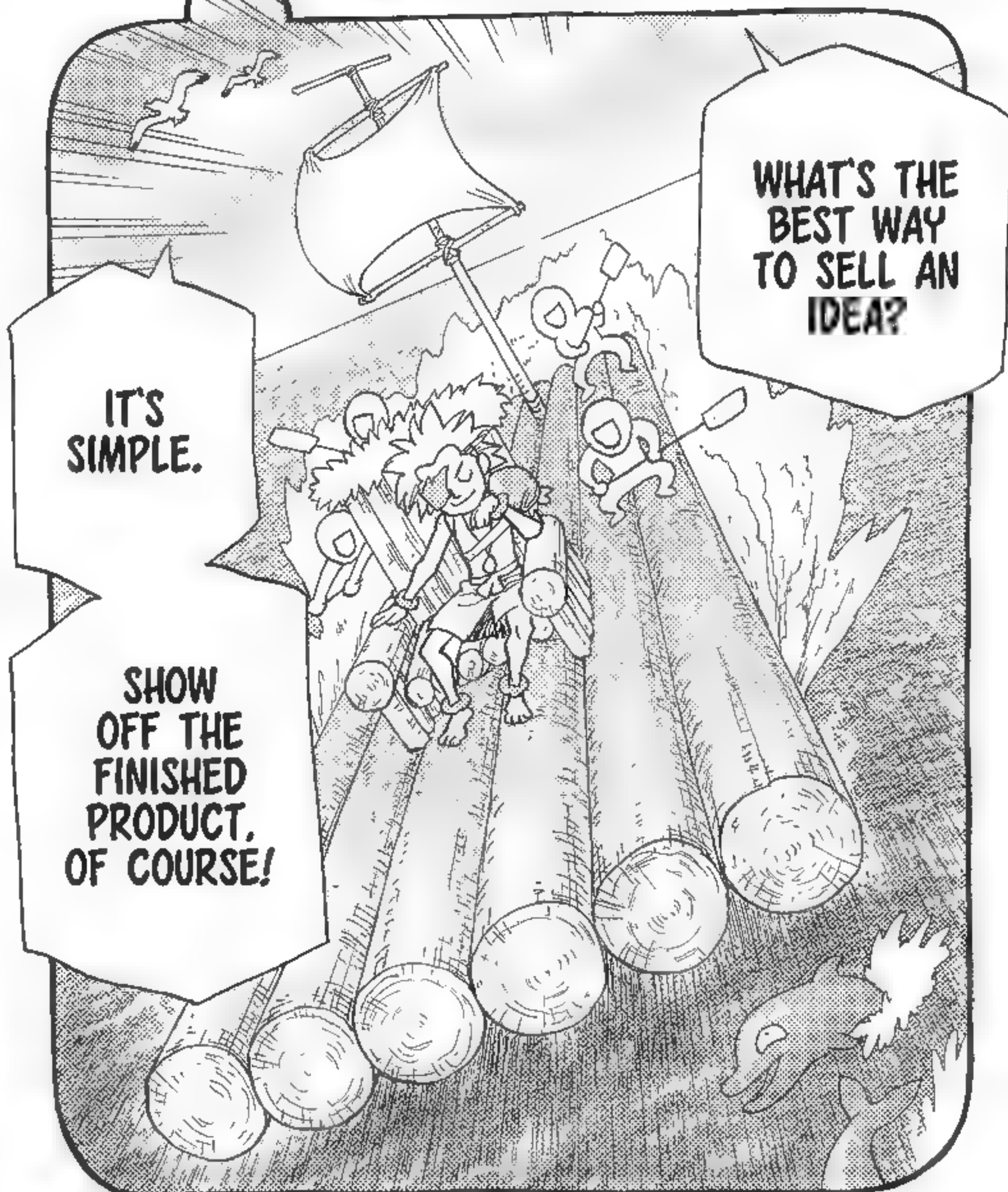
HMPH...

WHOOAAA!



AWW... YOU
PRIMITIVES
PROBABLY
WORKED SO
HARD ON
THAT...

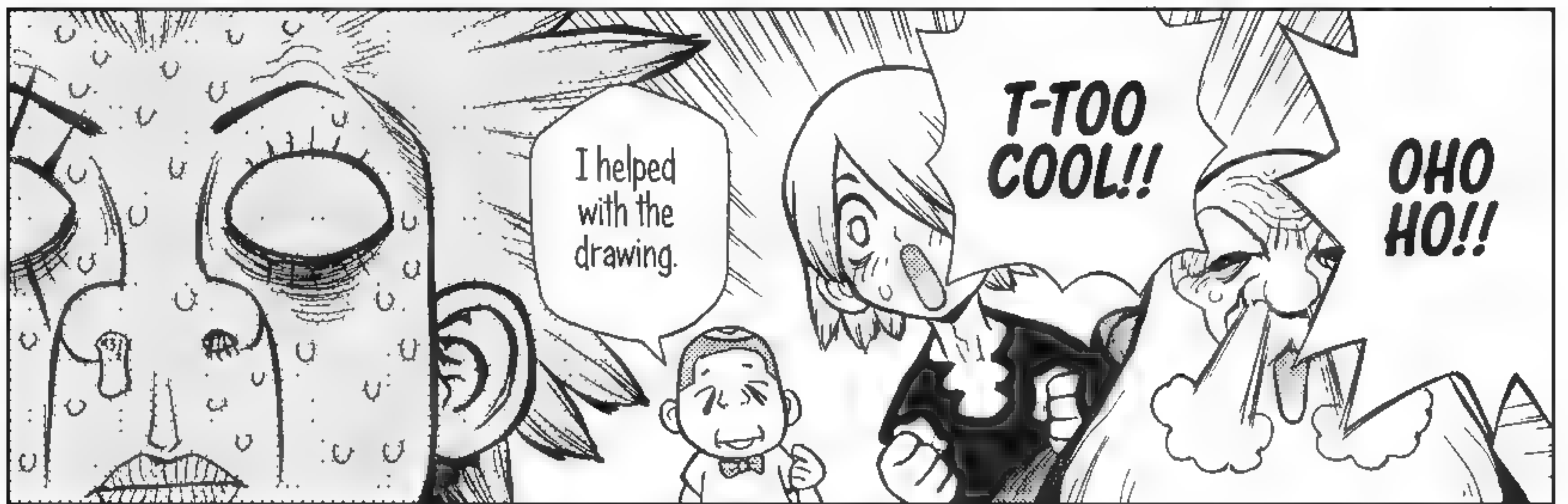
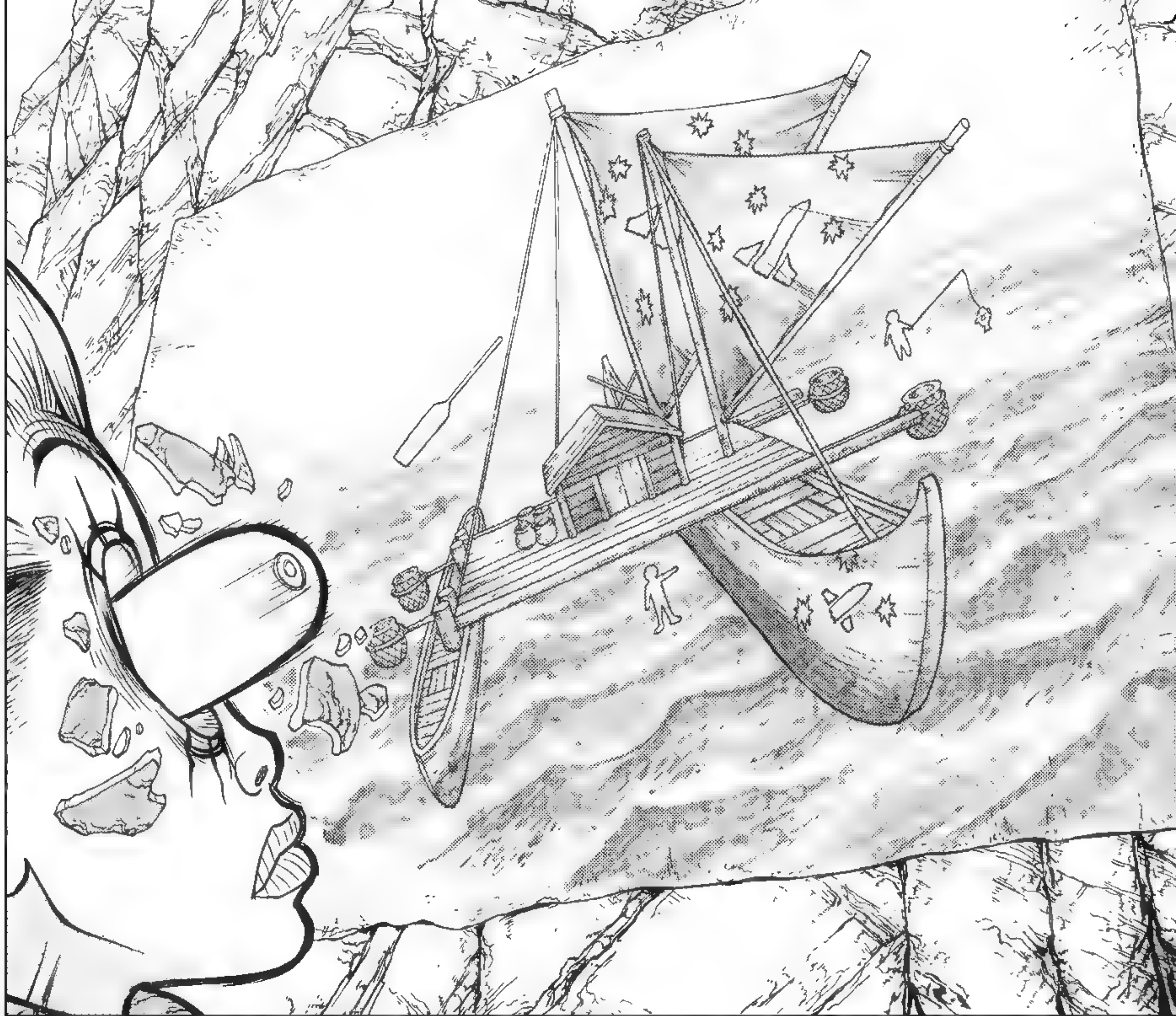
NO, SORRY.
I REALLY
SHOULDN'T
LAUGH
AT THE
IGNORANT!

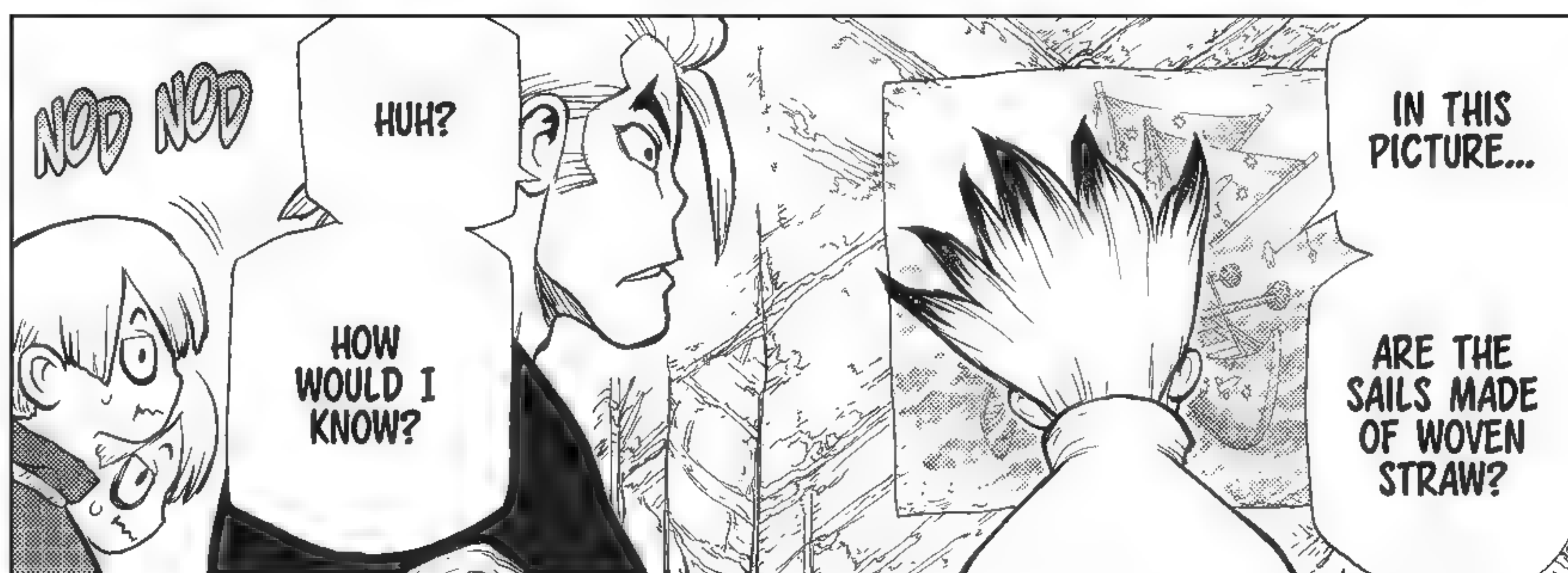
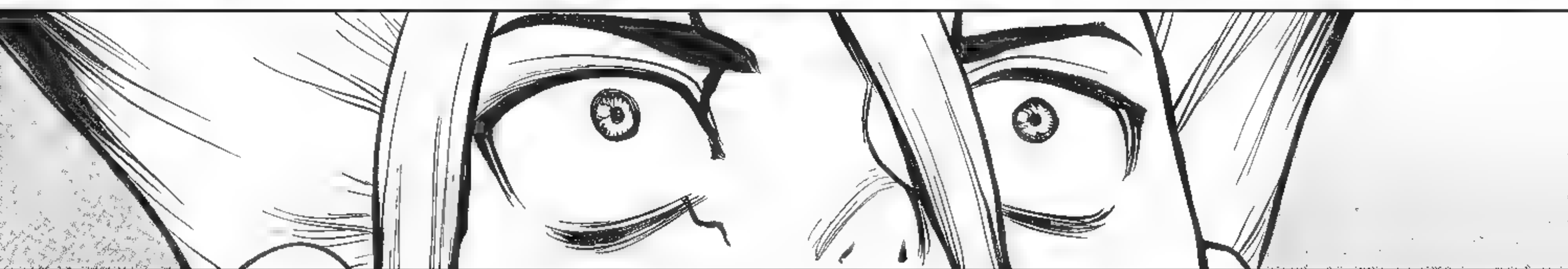


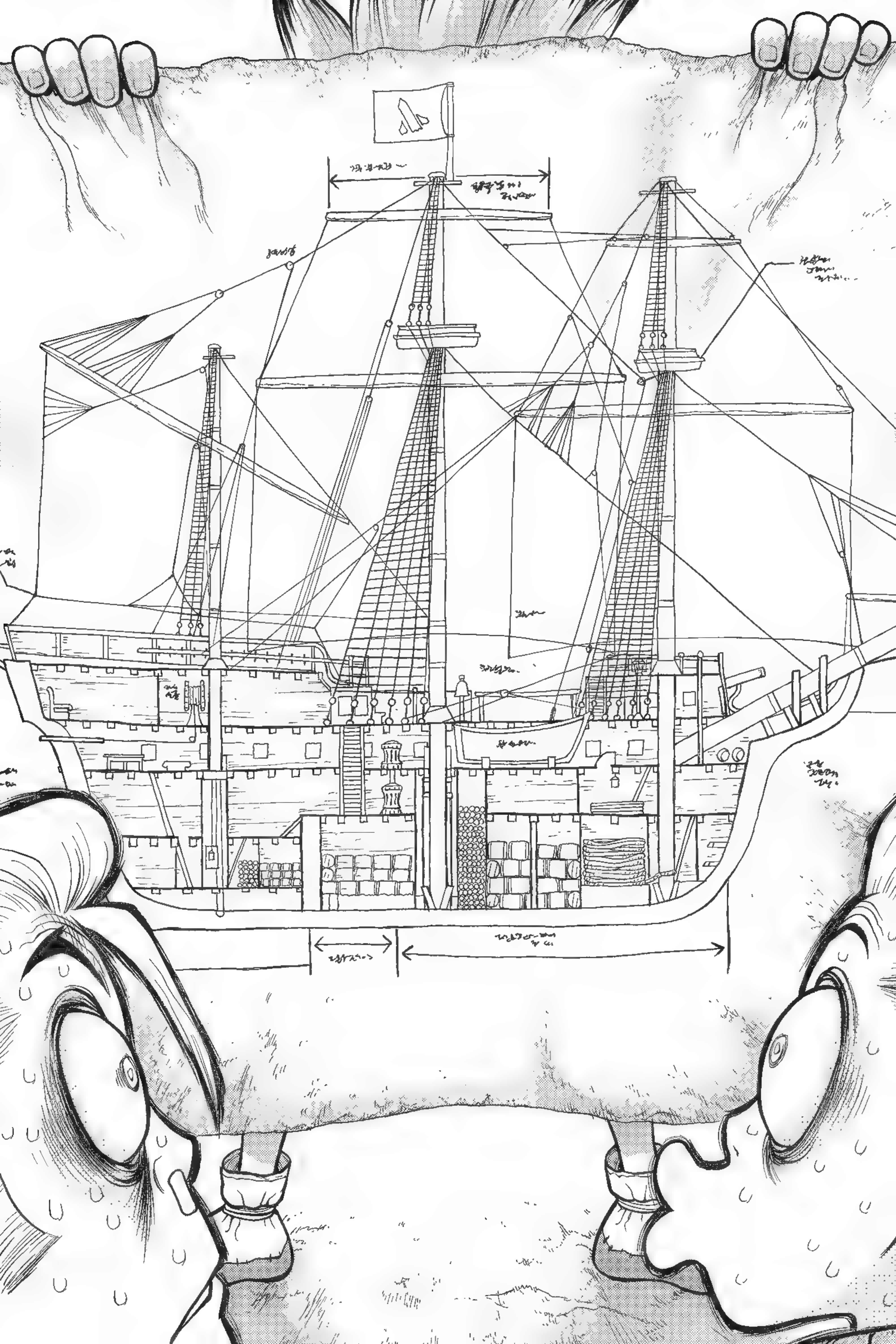
WHAT'S THE
BEST WAY
TO SELL AN
IDEA?

IT'S
SIMPLE.

SHOW
OFF THE
FINISHED
PRODUCT,
OF COURSE!









I PROBABLY WON'T LIVE TO SEE IT FINISHED! WHAT A SHAME!!

WHY, WE'D NEED A HUNDRED PEOPLE WORKING ON TH—



IT DOES LOOK PRETTY GREAT, BUT...

...IT'D PROBABLY TAKE US CENTURIES TO BUILD.



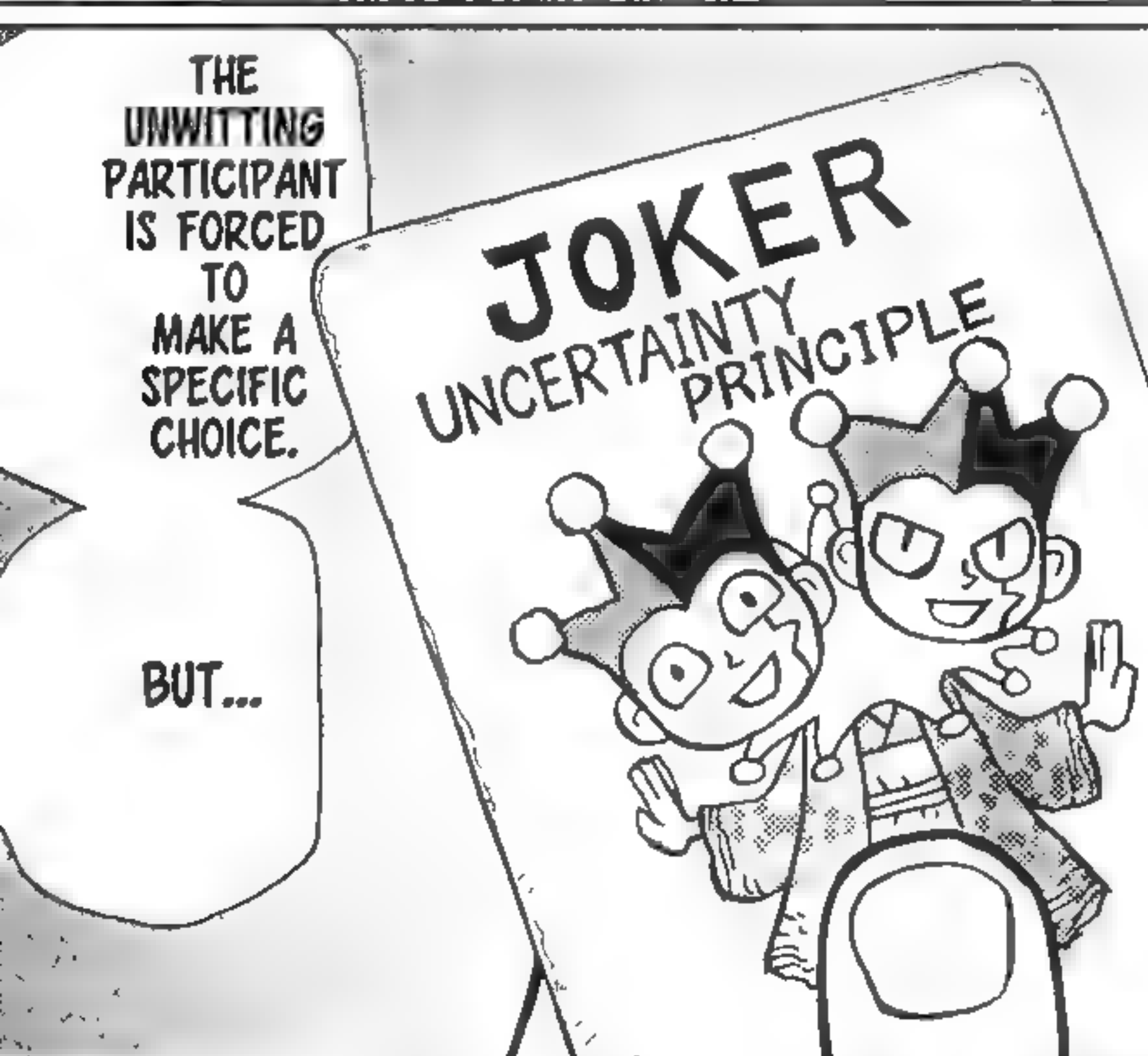
THIS'LL BE AMAZING IF WE CAN ACTUALLY MAKE IT!





PICK A
CARD,
ANY
CARD.

IN
MAGIC
...THERE'S
A TRICK
CALLED
FORCING.



THE
UNWITTING
PARTICIPANT
IS FORCED
TO
MAKE A
SPECIFIC
CHOICE.

BUT...

JOKER
UNCERTAINTY
PRINCIPLE



KANK
KANK
KANK

WHAT
WAS THE
POINT?

THAT
SHOW-
DOWN...

SO WHY
GO TO THE
TROUBLE?

WE ALL
KNEW
SENKU'S
DESIGN
WOULD
WIN.



BECAUSE
EVEN A
STRONG
LEADER CAN'T
BRING PEOPLE
TOGETHER BY
FORCE.

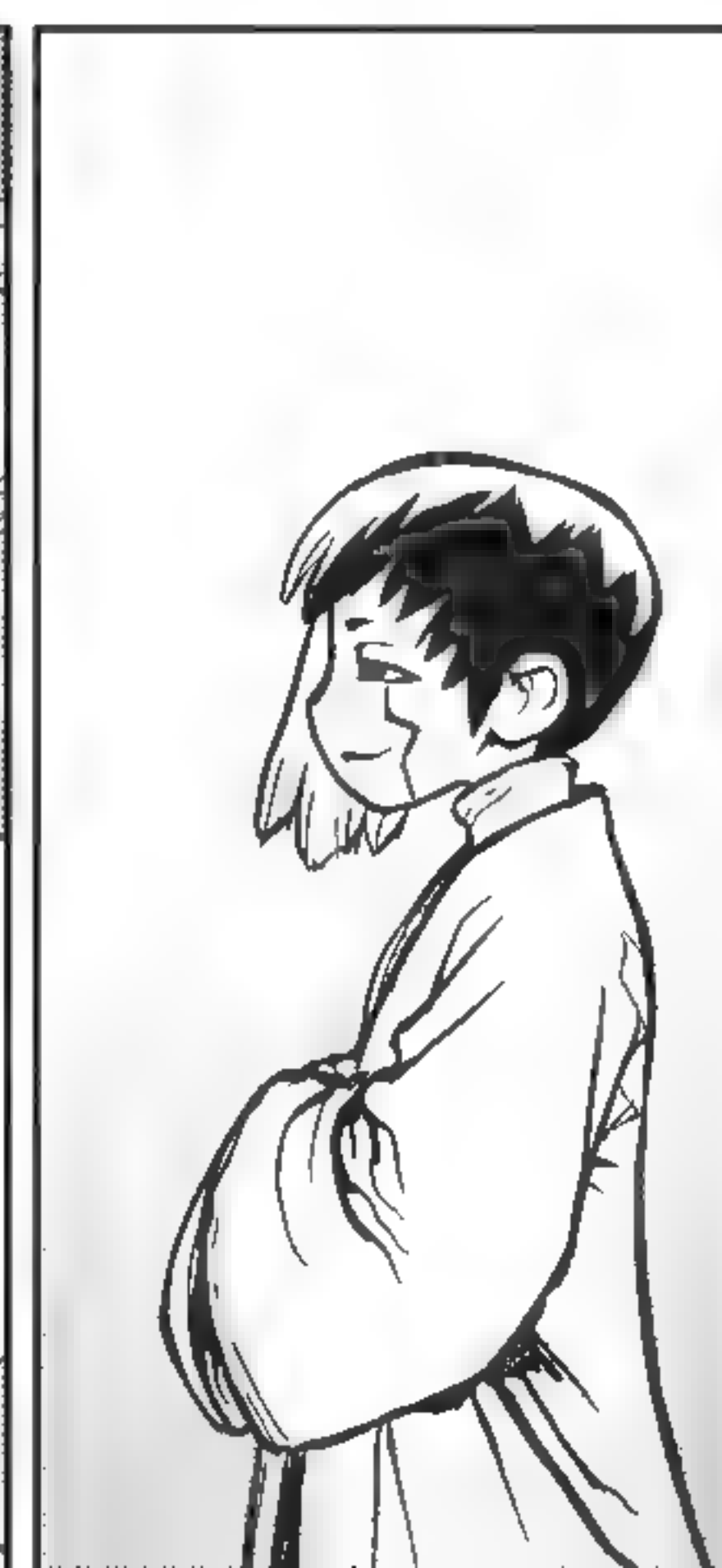
THAT
POINT IS
CRITICAL-KEY.

YOU
CONVINCE
THEM OF
THAT.

THEY
BELIEVE
THE CHOICE
WAS
ACTUALLY
THEIRS.



INDEED,
DEAR
SENKU,
HE...



I HAVE
TO SAY,
GEN...

...THAT YOU
CHOSE TO
FOLLOW
SENKU, AND
NOT TSUKASA
OR HYOGA.

WE SURE
ARE
LUCKY...



...THEY'VE ALL
BEEN SUCH
GOOD FRIENDS
THIS WHOLE
TIME.

TAIJU AND
YUZURIHA ARE
COMPLETELY
DIFFERENT
FROM HIM,
YET...

HE KNOWS
HOW TO
RELY ON
OTHERS!

HE
KNOWS THAT
PEOPLE
REPRESENT
...

...POWER!!

HEH
HEH HEH...
SO, TSUKASA
TOLD ME...

...THAT HE
REVIVED YOU
FOR YOUR
EXPERTISE
WITH INTEL.

THAT'S
ENOUGH
WEEPING
FROM
YOU!

OHHH,
TSUKA...

I'VE GOT
A JOB
FOR YOU...

REPORTER!



**A
CAPTAIN!!**

**WHAT
DO YOU
NEED?**

**WE'RE
GONNA NEED
SOME MORE
ALLIES...**

**...BECAUSE
PEOPLE
EQUALS
POWER!!**

WASTONAVE

AND FOR
YOU TO BE
THAT CONFIDENT?
THAT BOAT MUST
BE SOMETHING
GREAT!

LET'S SEE
YOUR
BOAT, YO!

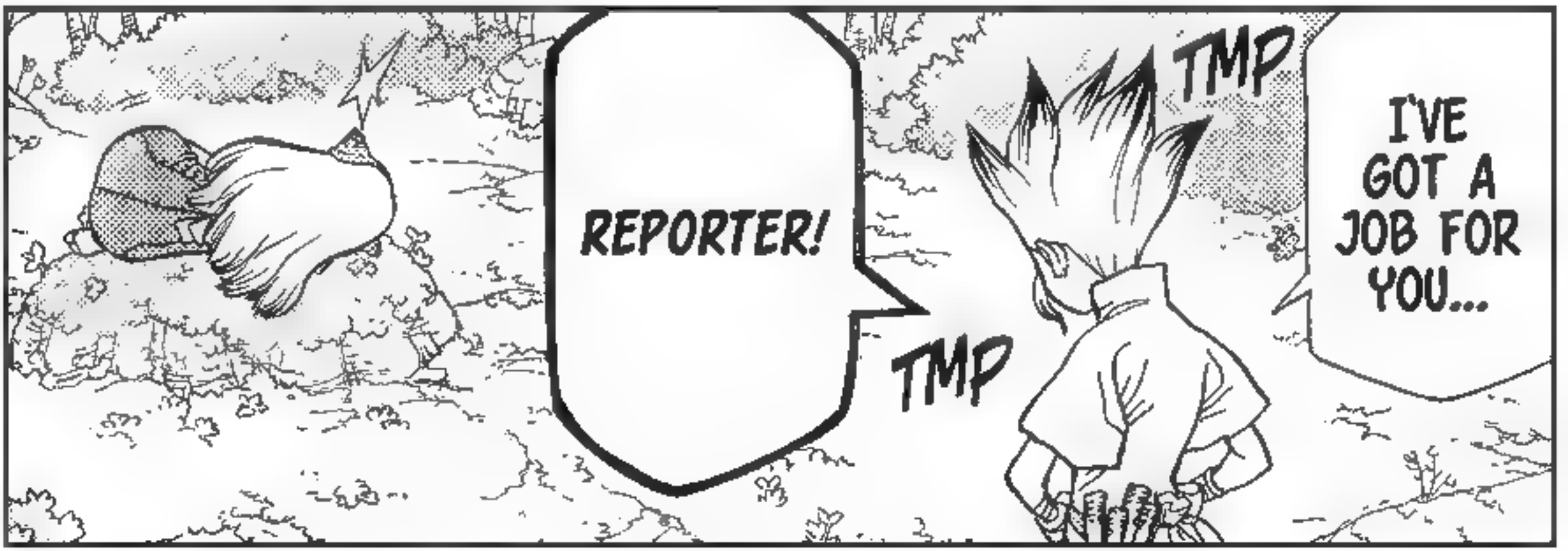
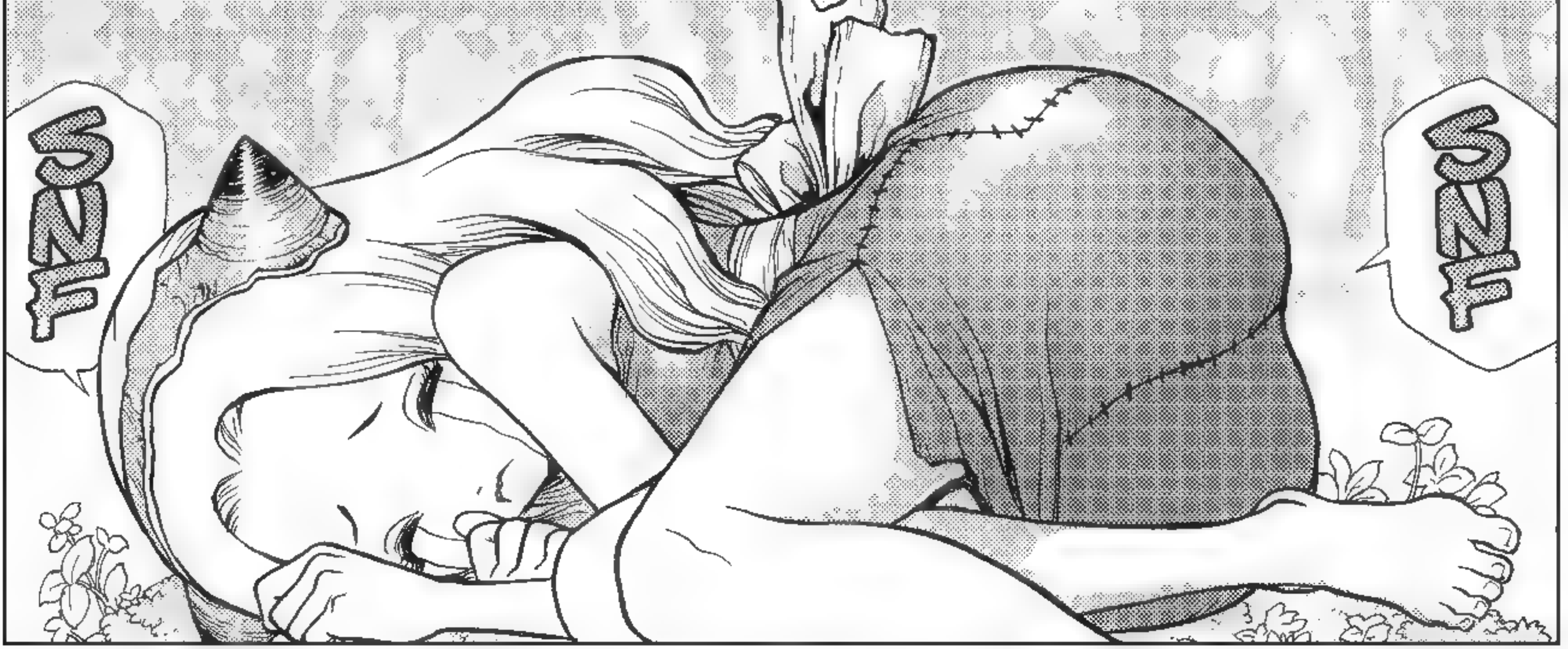
NO NEED TO
ACT ALL HUMBLE—
WE'RE CRAFTING
COMRADES
HERE!

NOW, I
KNOW YOU SAID
YOU FORGOT IT AT
HOME, BUT I STILL
WANNA SEE THE
DARN THING!

CUZ I'M A GUY
WHO JUST LOVES
CRAFTWORK!
GETS MY BLOOD
PUMPING, Y'KNOW?

IT'S EXTRA
HARSH BECAUSE
HE'S NOT TRYING
TO BE MEAN...





Z=85: Ultimate Resource

SPLASH SPLASH

**I NEED THE
ULTIMATE
NAVIGATOR.**

**A SHIP
CAPTAIN
WITH
GODLY
SKILLS!!**



**WE PLAN TO
NAVIGATE TO
THE OTHER
SIDE OF
THIS STONE
WORLD...**

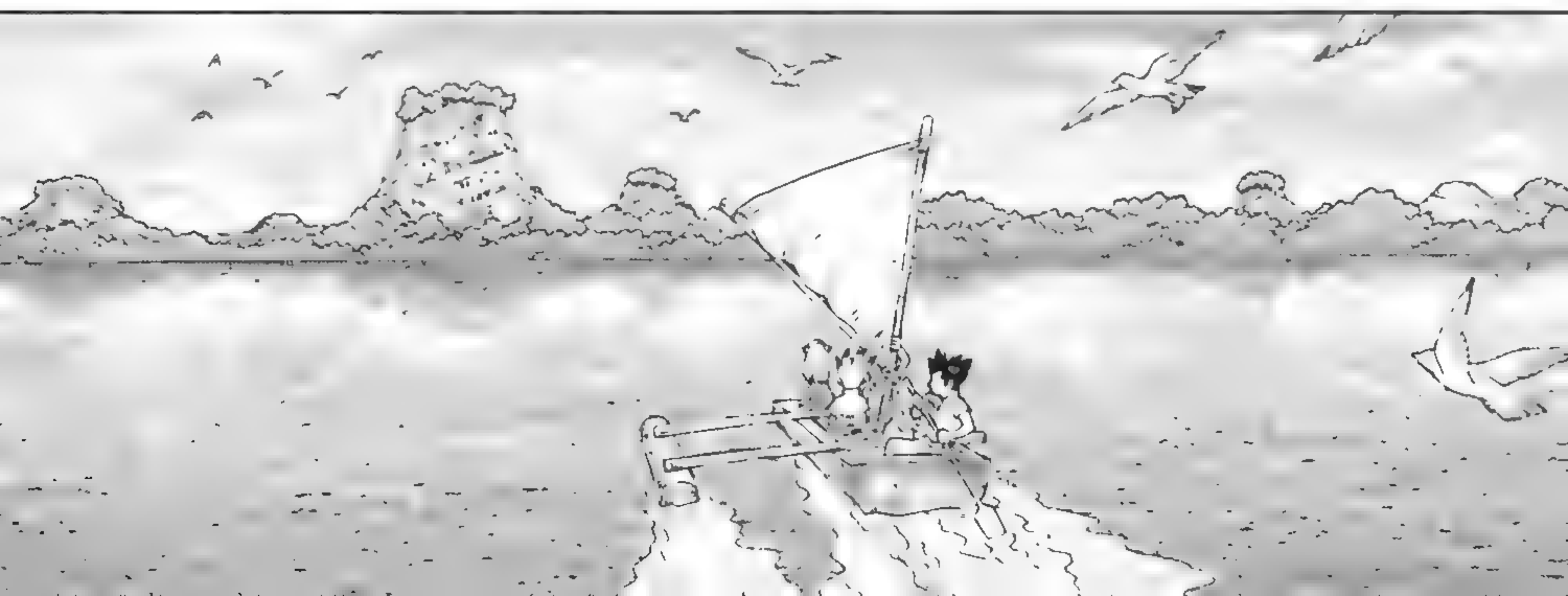
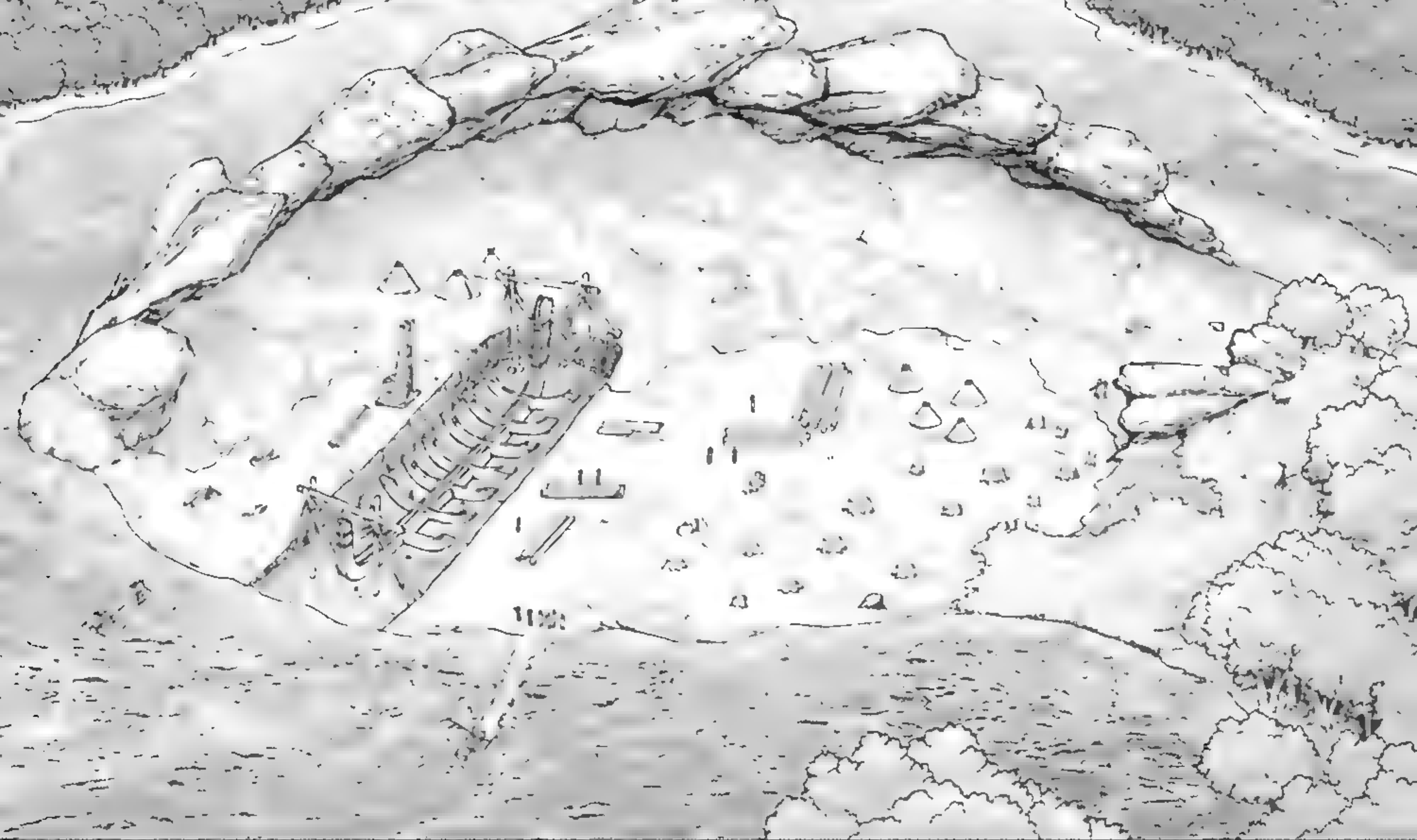
**...AND
CONQUER
THE AGE OF
EXPLORATION
IN ONE FELL
SWOOP!**



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A
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K
L
A
T

Z=85: Ultimate Resource



WAS THERE
EVEN ANYONE
WHO COULD
CAPTAIN
THOSE OLD-
TIMEY SHIPS
IN OUR ERA?

WE'RE MAKING
A SAILING SHIP,
RIGHT?

MODERN SHIP

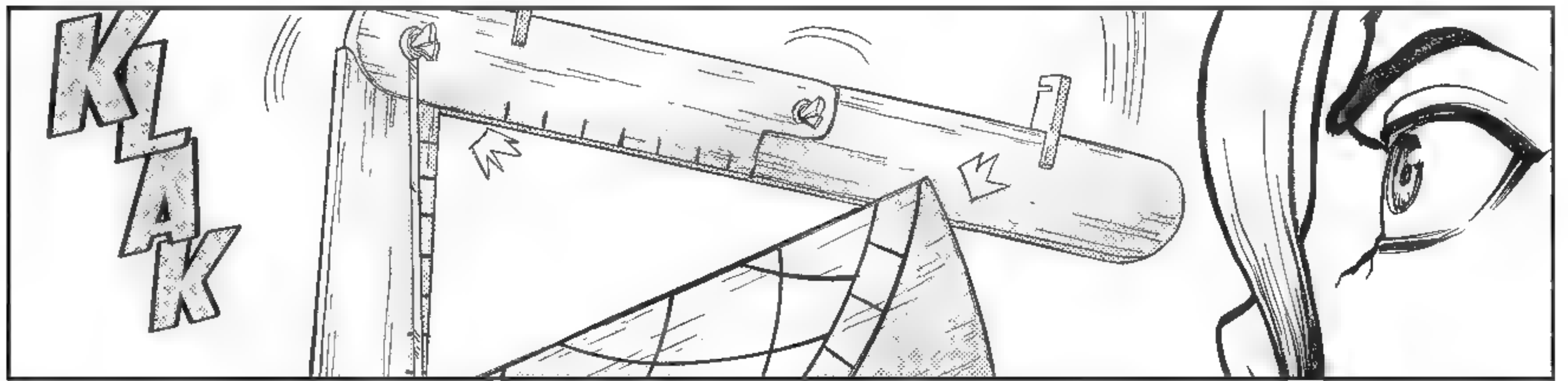
SAILING
SHIP
POWERED
BY WIND

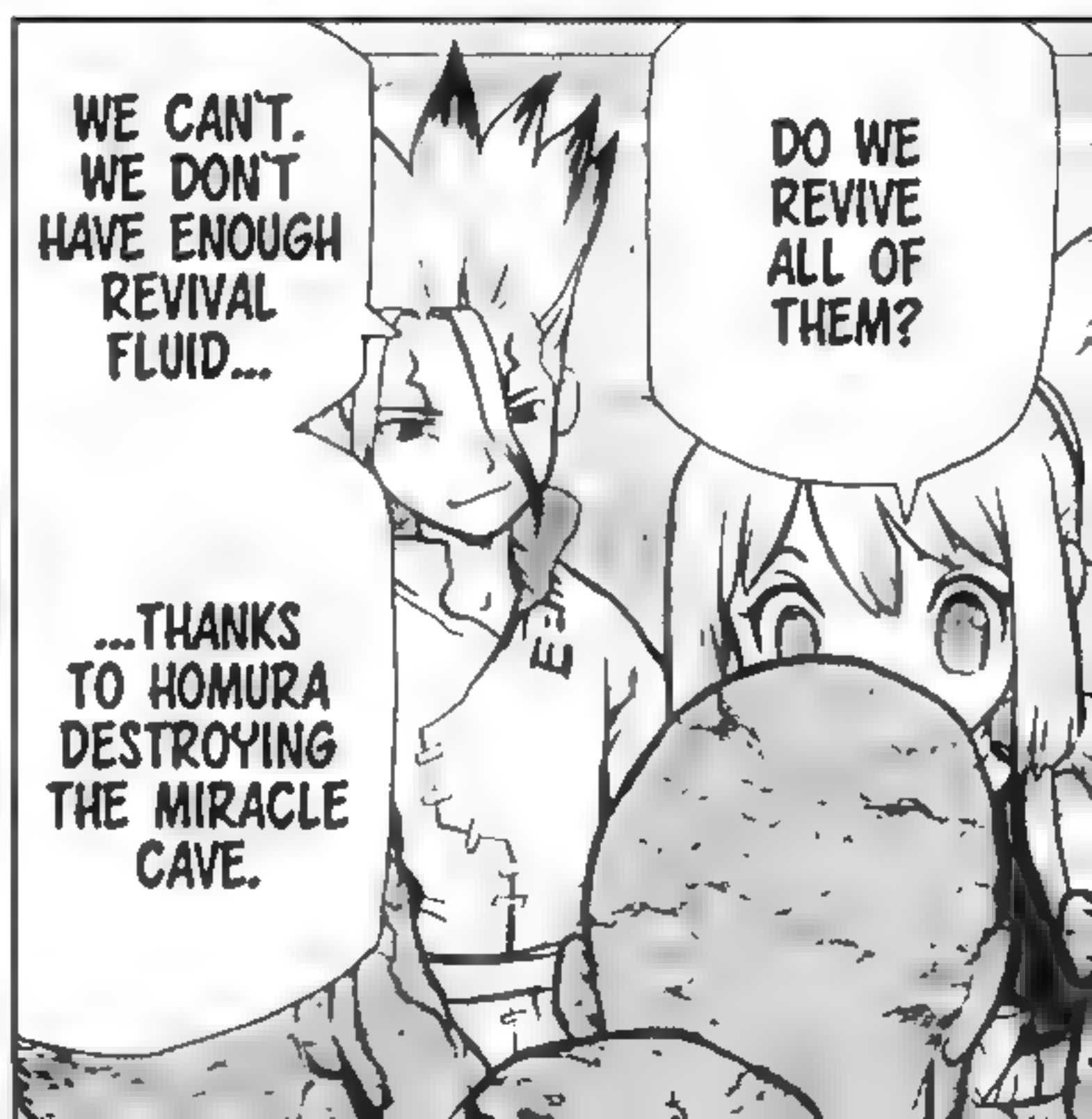
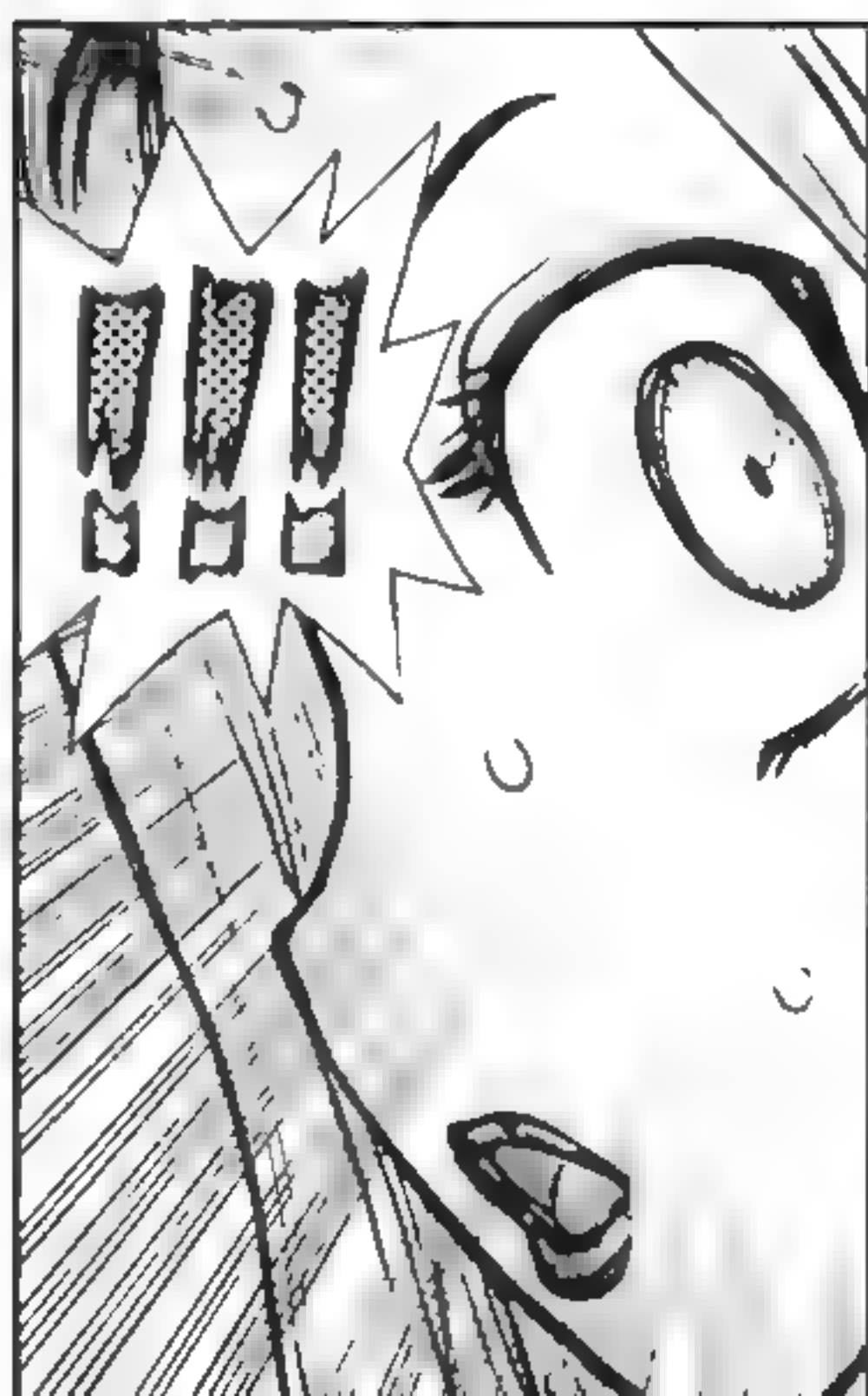
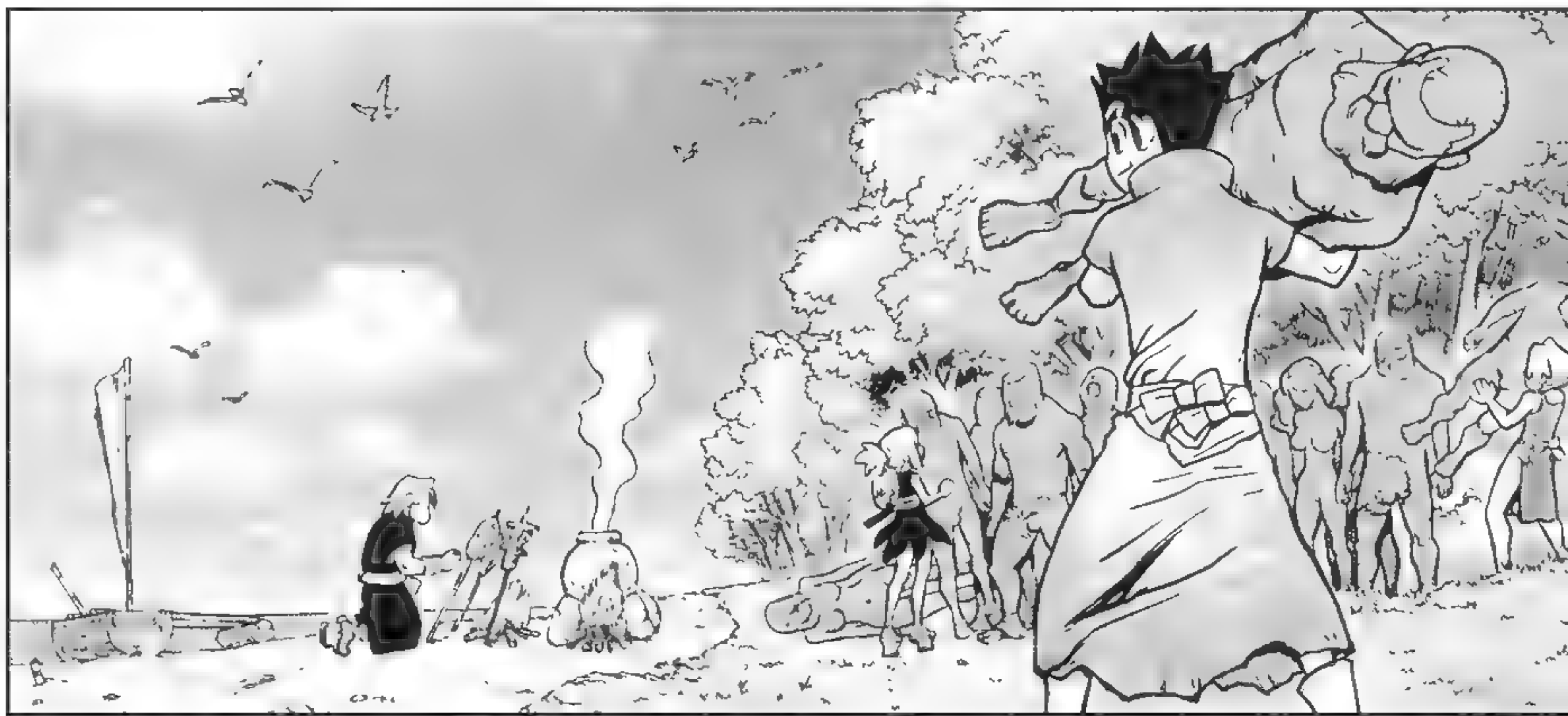
RYUSU...

SURE, BUT
JUST FOR
TRAINING
PURPOSES
OR AS A
HOBBY.

...AND
PROBABLY
NEVER FIND
AN EXPERT
SAILOR...

BEYOND
THAT? WE
COULD
SEARCH
THE WHOLE
PLANET...







IT'S
HIM...

RYUSUI!!



HE MUST
BE GOOD.

RIGHT?

NO POINT
IN TRYING
TO HIDE
IT.



NOPE! NO
GOOD!
ANYONE
BUT HIM!

RYUSUI?
YOU WERE
ABOUT TO
MENTION
HIM
EARLIER...

STOP
WASTING
TIME AND
TELL US
ALREADY.

WITH AN ALLOWANCE OF 100 MILLION YEN, BUILDING UP HIS COLLECTION WAS A BREEZE.

FROM AN EARLY AGE, HE LOVED WORKING ON MODELS, SHIPS IN BOTTLES, AND SO ON.

YOU CALL THAT AN "ALLOWANCE" ?!

BUT HE GREW BORED OF TOYS AND STARTED HAVING REAL SAILING SHIPS BUILT.

AS EARLY AS MIDDLE SCHOOL, HE STARTED CAPTAINING THOSE SHIPS HIMSELF.

HE SAILED AROUND THE WORLD, HAVING ALL SORTS OF FUN.

THIS MAN!

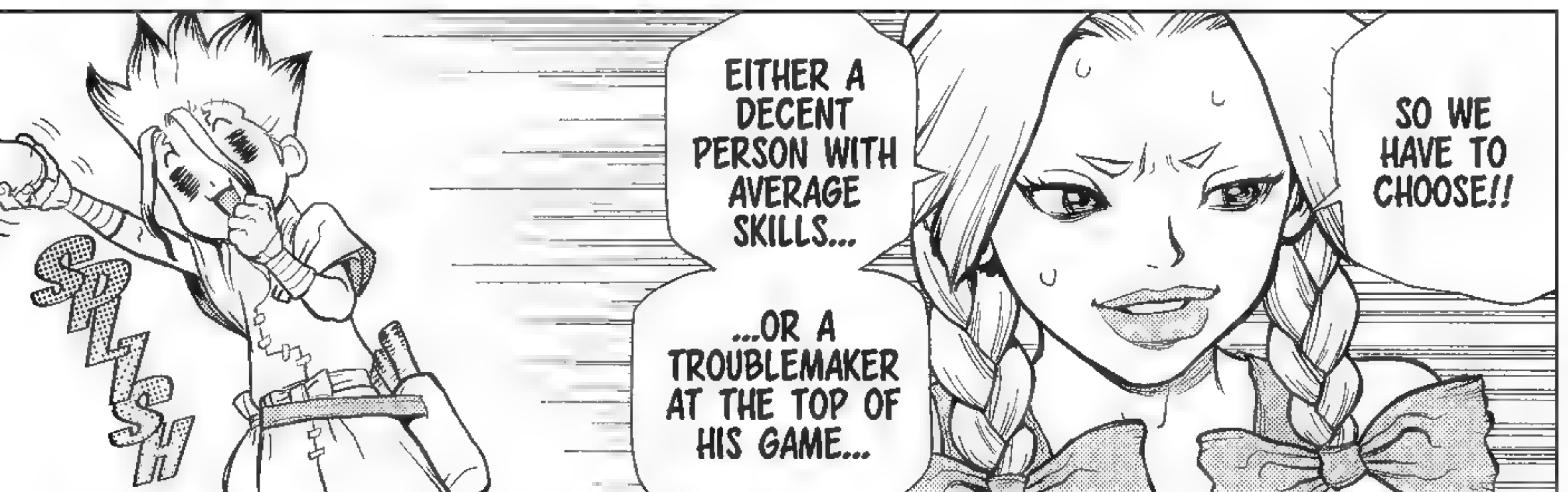
RYUSUI NANAMI!!

NANAMI ACADEMY WAS OWNED BY...

...NANAMI CORP., THE BIGGEST NAME IN MARINE SHIPPING.

A CONGLOMERATE WORTH 200 TRILLION YEN BACK IN THE DAY...

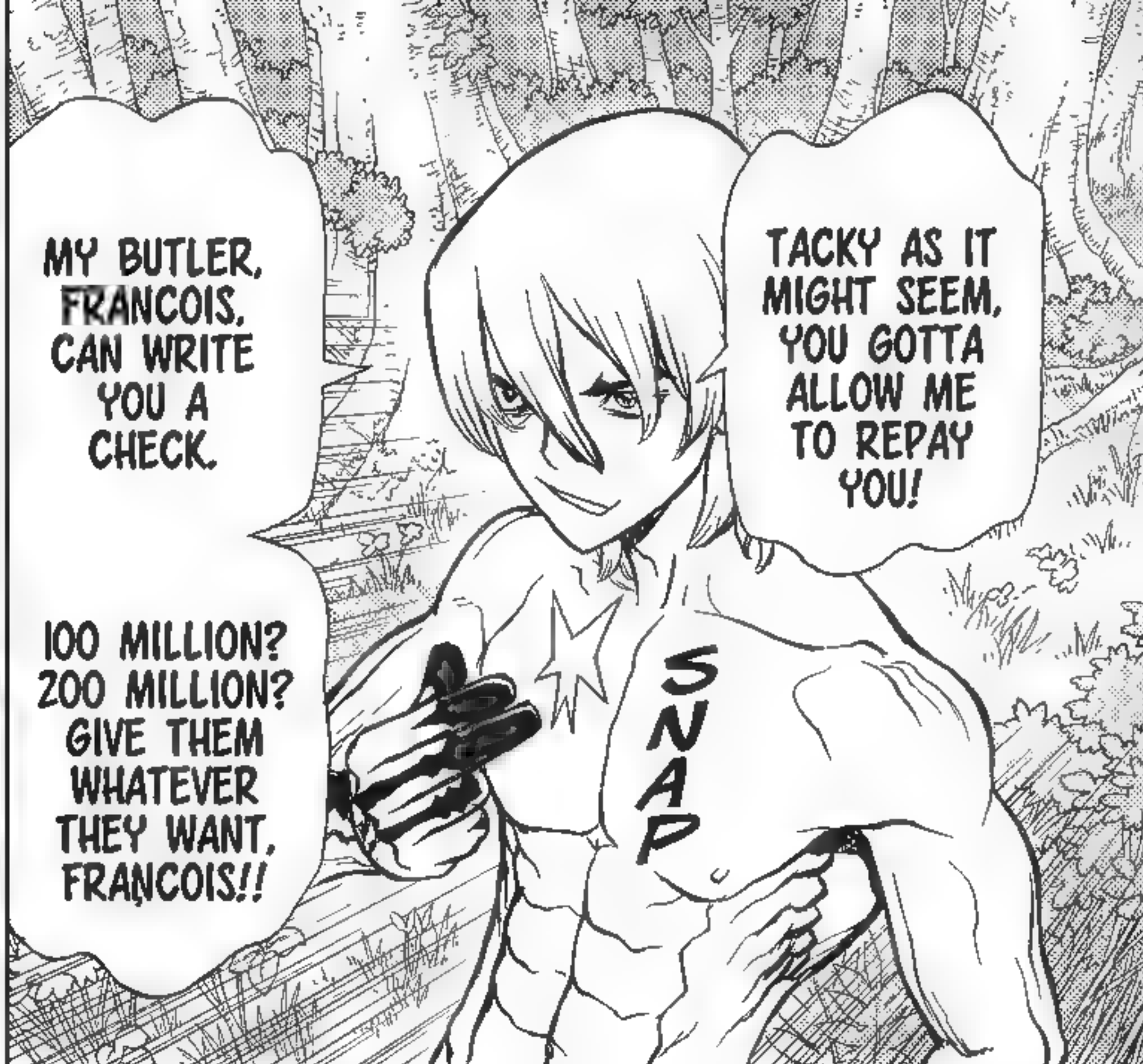
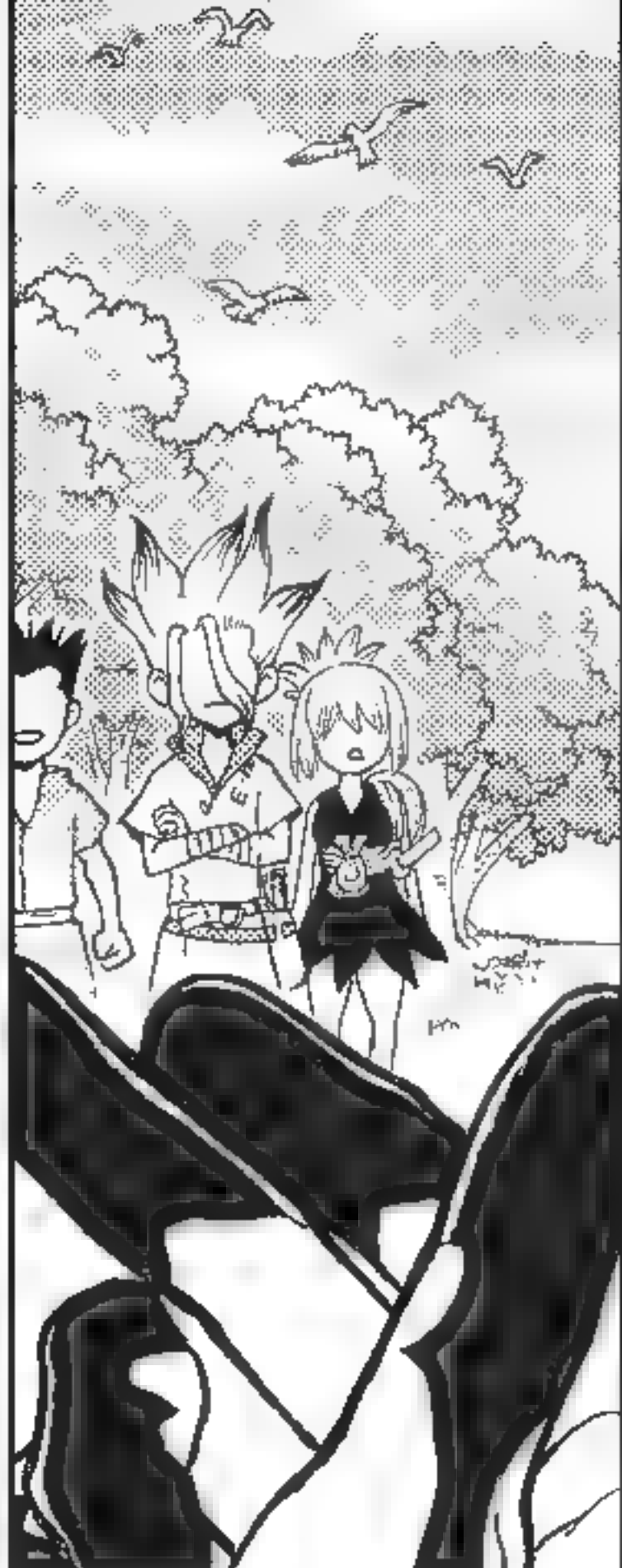
AND THE NANAMI CLAN'S OUTRAGEOUS PRODIGAL SON WAS...





HMPH... IT SEEMS...

...I'M NO LONGER IN A POSITION TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN.



MY BUTLER, FRANCOIS, CAN WRITE YOU A CHECK.

TACKY AS IT MIGHT SEEM, YOU GOTTA ALLOW ME TO REPAY YOU!

100 MILLION? 200 MILLION? GIVE THEM WHATEVER THEY WANT, FRANCOIS!!

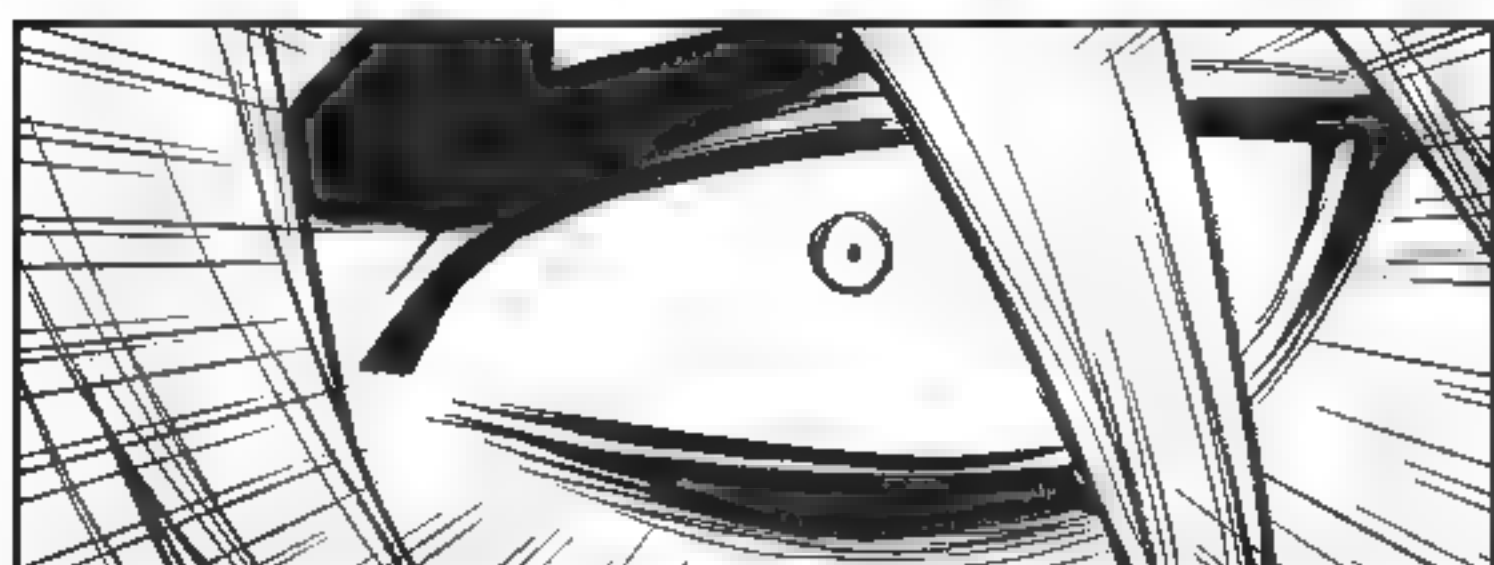


AS WELL AS NANAMI CORP. AND ALL OUR WEALTH?

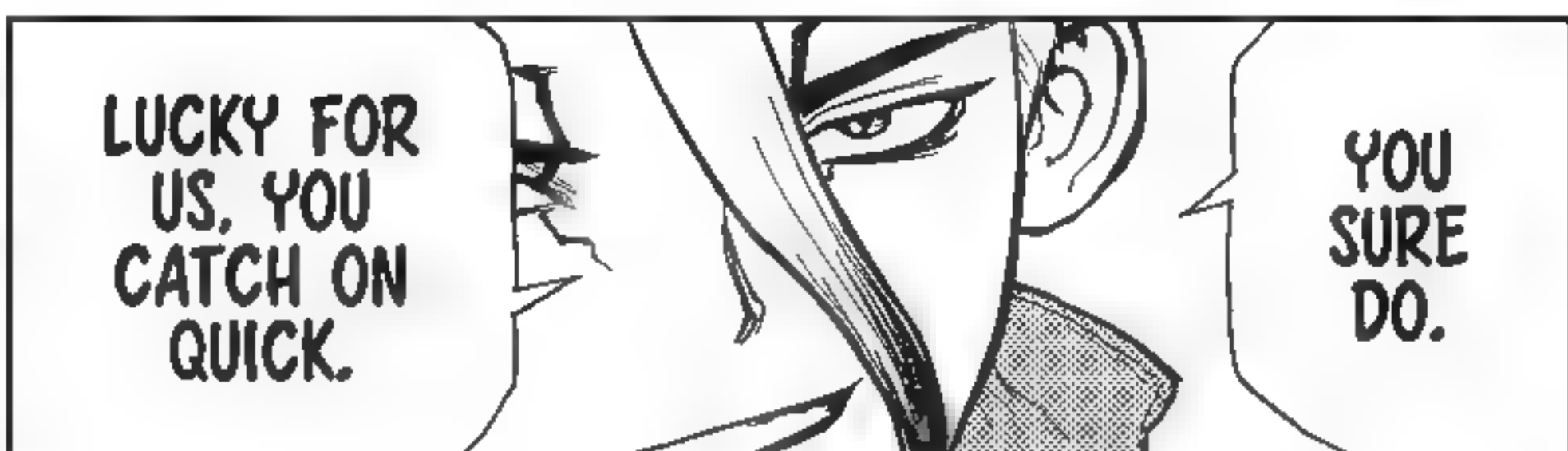
CIVILIZATION IS DEAD AND GONE, RIGHT?

DO I HAVE THAT RIGHT??

MY SAILOR'S INSTINCTS ARE NEVER WRONG!



LUCKY FOR US, YOU CATCH ON QUICK.



YOU SURE DO.



IF ALL THE WORLD'S UP FOR GRABS NOW...

...THEN I'LL JUST HAVE TO TAKE IT FOR MYSELF!!

HA HA!! THIS IS THE PERFECT CHANCE, THEN.

YOU PEOPLE DID WELL TO BRING ME BACK!



DID HE
FORGET HOW
TO COUNT?
CUZ I ONLY
SEE TWO.

THREE
BEAUTIES
?



IF YOU'VE
GOT
NOTHING
NICE TO
SAY, THEN
CRAM IT!



APOLOGIES.
HOW TACKY
OF ME. AND
IN FRONT
OF THREE
BEAUTIES!

HOW ABOUT
YOU START
BY TAKING
SOME
CLOTHES?



WHATEVER
DO YOU
MEAN BY
THAT?

THERE ARE ALL
TYPES IN THIS
WORLD, BUT
EVERY LADY IS A
BEAUTY IN HER
OWN RIGHT.

AM I
RIGHT?



SURELY
YOU'RE
ASKING TOO
MUCH...

HOW COULD
A MAN USED TO
FANCY YACHTS AND
MODERN NAVIGA-
TION TECHNIQUES
HANDLE A
PRIMITIVE VESSEL
THAT'S DRIVEN
MANUALLY?!



BEFORE
I ANSWER
THAT...

EVERYONE,
PROTECT
THE SHIP
AND TAKE
SHELTER.

MY
SAILOR'S
INSTINCTS
ARE NEVER
WRONG.



I CAN'T WAIT
TO GET MY
HANDS ON
THIS!!

WELL
DONE,
PEOPLE!

OHO HO! THIS
NEW FELLA'S
GOOD AND
EXCITED
ABOUT OUR
SAILING
SHIP!!

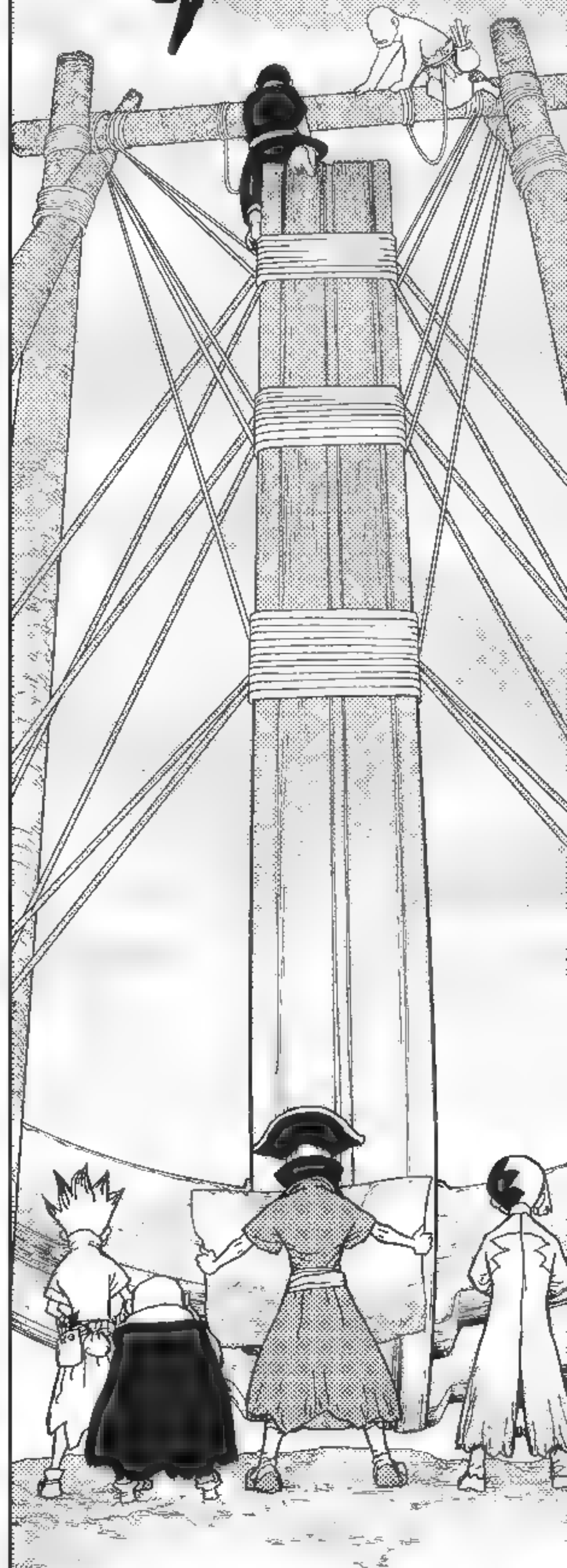
SO... CAN YOU
TAKE US AROUND
THE WORLD
IN THIS?

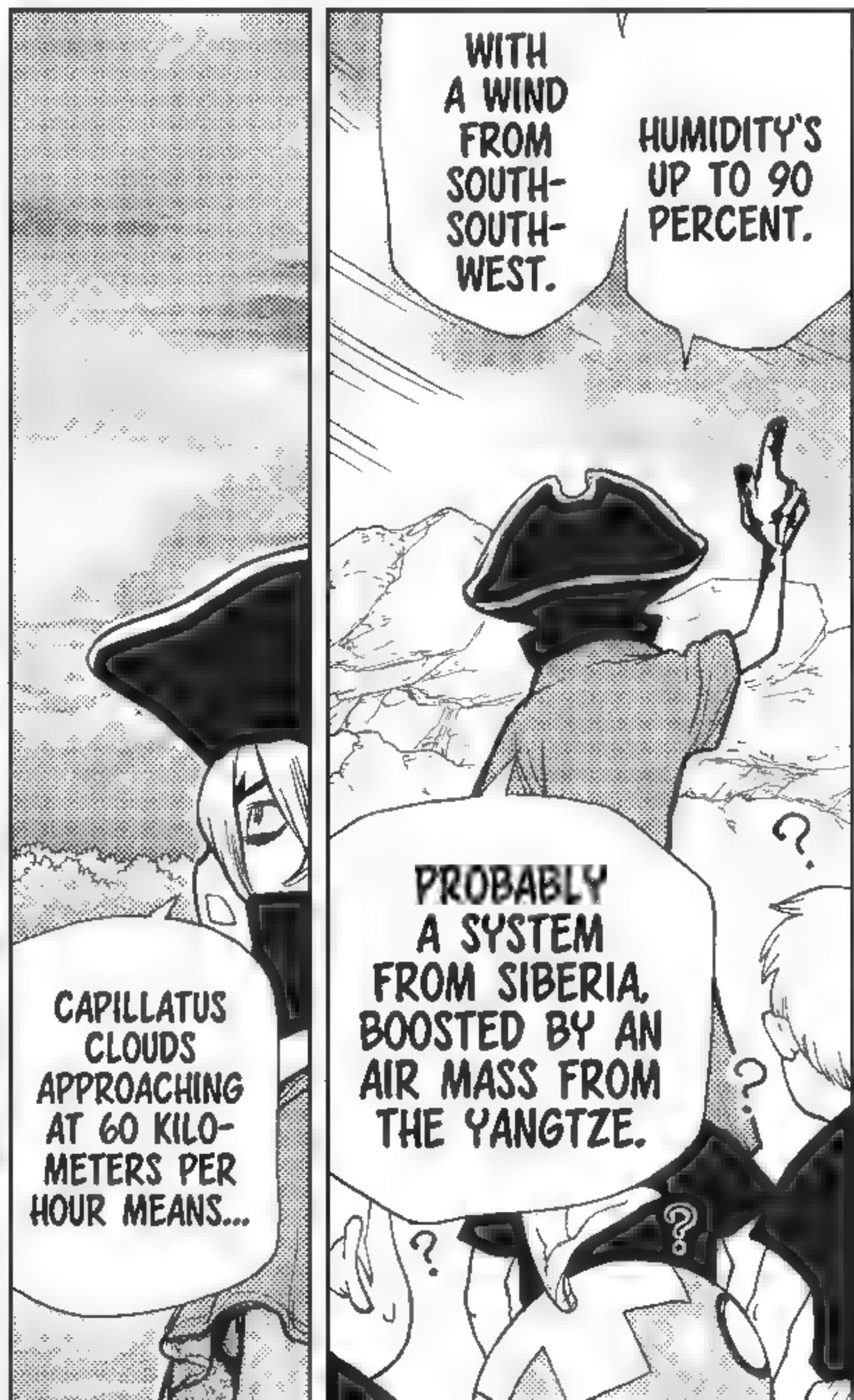
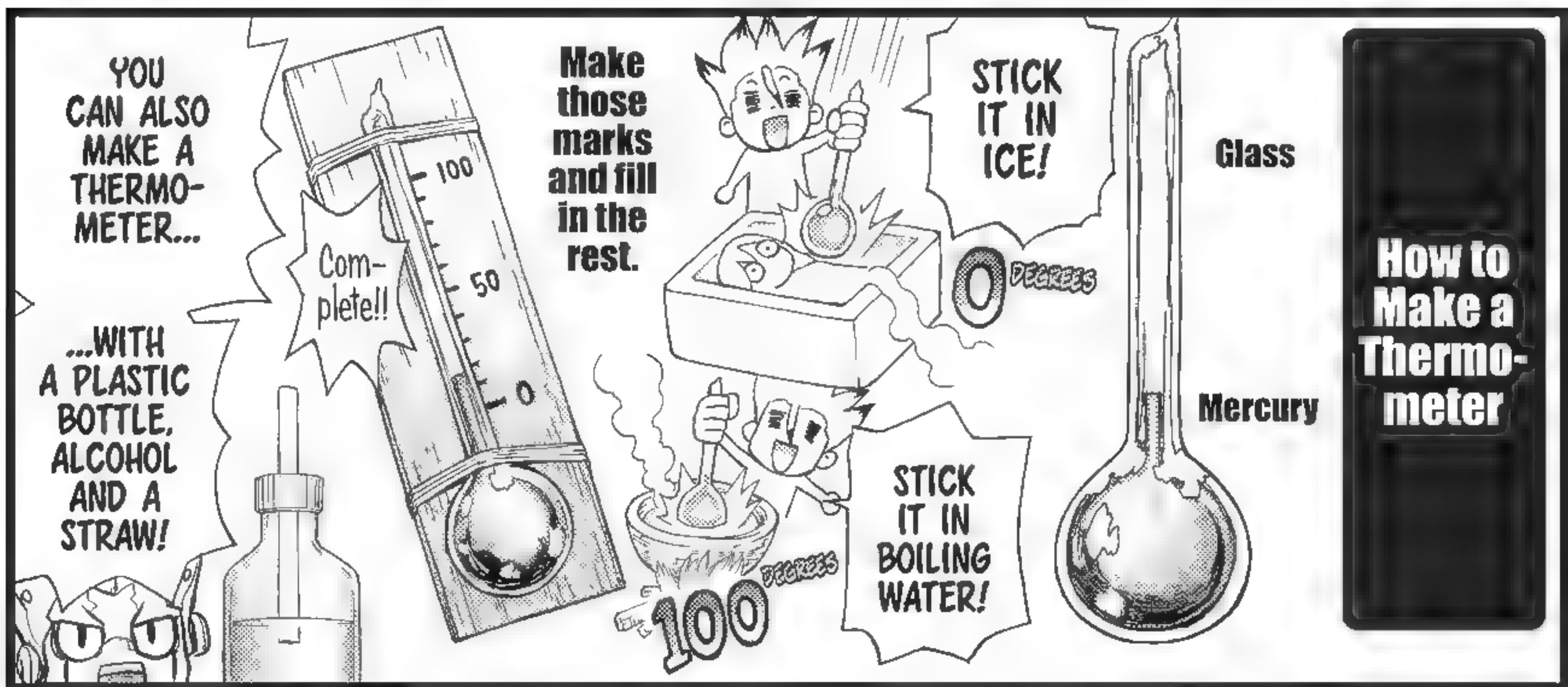


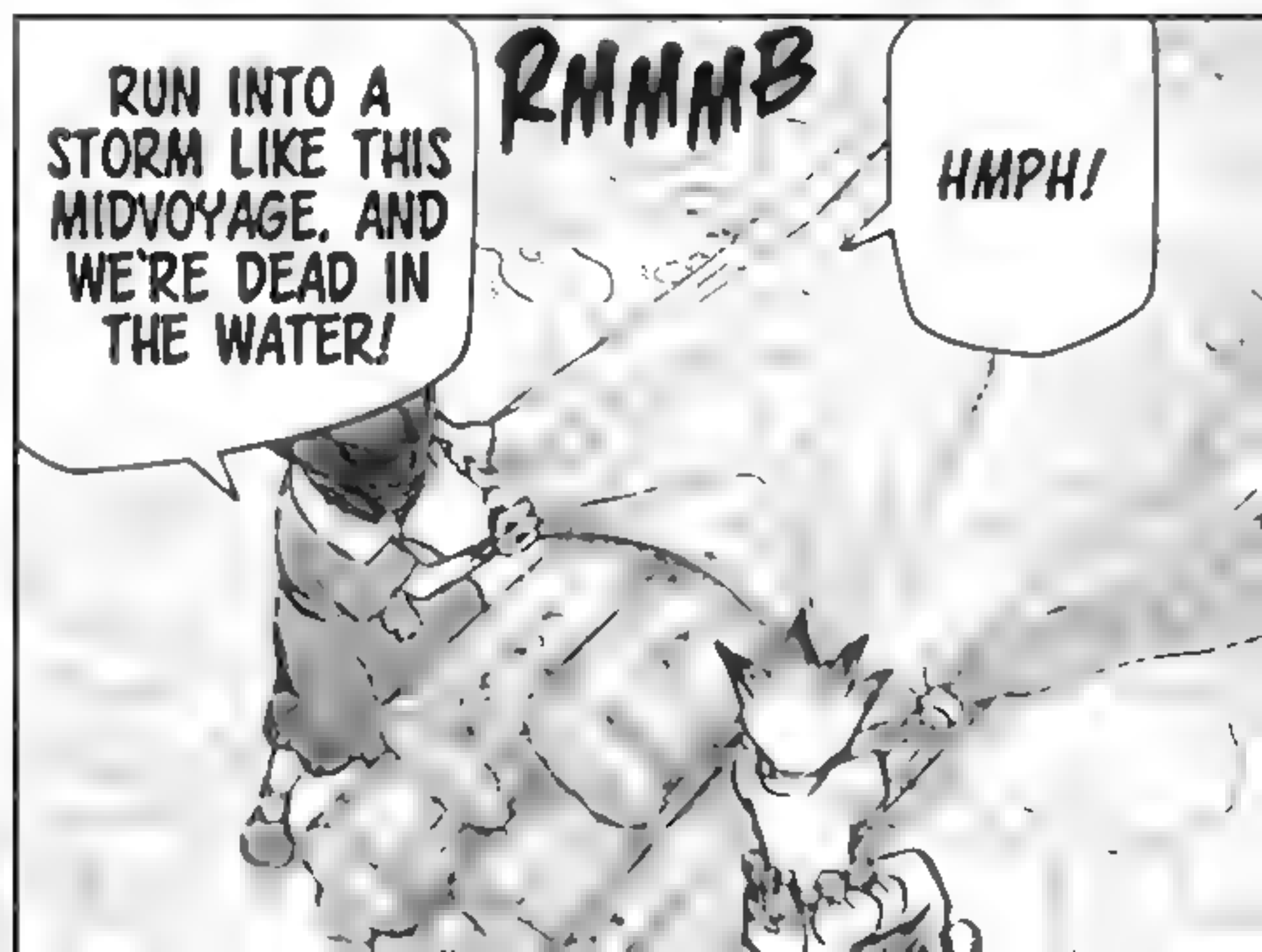
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AUDACIOUS,
AREN'T
YOU?

NANAMI
CORP.
COULD'VE
USED A
GUY LIKE
YOU!!

YOU
WERE JUST
TESTING ME,
SENKU!

SEEING IF
I WAS THE
SORT OF
FOOL WHO'D
LEAP BEFORE
LOOKING.

WHICH IS
WHY WE'RE
MAKING A
HYBRID—A
MOTORIZED
SAILING
SHIP.

THOUGHT
SO.

WE ARE?
FOR
REAL?!



...AND I'LL
GET YOU
AROUND
THE
WORLD!
THAT'S A
PROMISE!!

BUT FIND
ME SOME
DECENT
FUEL...

THAT
GARBAGE IS
SO HEAVY,
THE SHIP
WOULD SINK
RIGHT AWAY.

BUT WHAT'LL BE
POWERING THESE
MOTORS? NOT
THE LOW-GRADE
COAL YOU PEOPLE
USE IN THOSE
FURNACES,
I HOPE.



HA HA!
DON'T
PLAY
DUMB.

WHAT FUEL MIGHT
THAT BE? I DON'T
KNOW A THING
ABOUT SCIENCE,
SO I'M TOOTALLY
LOST.

"DECENT
FUEL"?
THAT'S YOUR
CONDITION?



WHAT
I'M...

I KNOW
YOU KNOW,
SENKU.

...REALLY
AFTER!!



HE WHO CONTROLS OIL HOLDS THE WORLD IN HIS HANDS!
NOT EVEN THOUSANDS OF YEARS COULD CHANGE THAT.

WHA-?!
HERE? IN JAPAN? BUT...

...IS GONNA BE MINE!!
AND LIKE I SAID, EVERYTHING IN THIS NEW WORLD...

STILL NOT SURE WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT, BUT LEAVE IT TO ME.

THE SCAVENGER KING!!

CUZ CHROME'S DIG TEAM IS ON THE JOB!!



THE ULTIMATE NATURAL RESOURCE ...

WE'RE GONNA DIG UP OIL!!



HEH HEH... FINE. THE KINGDOM OF SCIENCE COULD USE SOME. ACTUALLY!

WE'RE FINALLY GOING FOR IT!!

THAT IS TO SAY...



Ryusui

Navigation
Skills



Meteorology
Skills:



Desire:



Full Name: Ryusui Nanami

Height: 187 cm

Job in Kingdom: Captain

People thought Ryusui had a bright future ahead of him in corporate business due to his talents even at a young age.

However, his extravagant spending and greedy ways led to his reputation as the black sheep of the family.

Ryusui never paid any mind to his critics, though, and he was prepared to take over Nanami Corp. if that's what it took to live his life how he wanted!

Z=86: Money

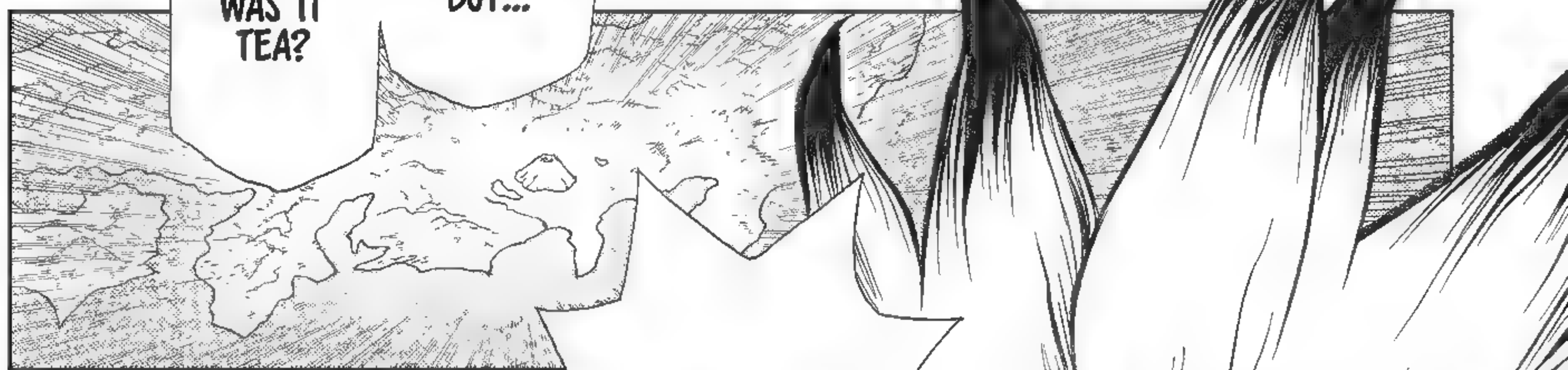




QUICK! WHAT
WAS THE
PRIMARY
EXPORT OF
SHIZUOKA?

WAS IT
TEA?

HM? ODD
QUESTION,
BUT...



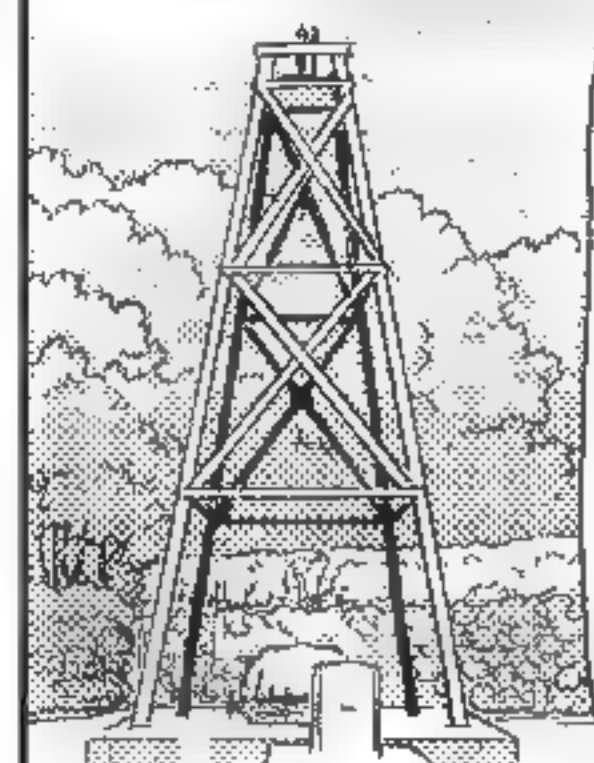
OIL!!

THEY STOPPED
PUMPING ONCE
PROFITS DIPPED,
BUT THAT BLACK
GOLD SHOULD
STILL BE DOWN
THERE!

YOU BET!
THE SAGARA
OIL FIELD!

BASICALLY,
A TREASURE
SPOT WHERE
WE CAN DIG
UP SOME OF
THE HIGHEST-
QUALITY OIL IN
THE WORLD!

FOR
REAL?!



JAPAN SURE
HAS A WEALTH OF
FANTASTIC NATURAL
RESOURCES. HOW
CONVENIENT...

Though we don't have a
ton of any one thing...



GU
SHHH



**...OF
THAT OIL
FIELD!!**

**FULL
RIGHTS
AND OWNER-
SHIP...**

**IF YOU
PEOPLE...**

**...WANT
MY OIL...**

**...YOU'LL
HAVE TO
BUY IT!!**

THAT'S...

**...WHAT
IF DEAR
RYUSUI
HOARDS IT
ALL FOR
HIMSELF...**

**BUT ONCE
WE FIND
AND
DEVELOP
THE OIL
FIELD...**

**...AND
LEAVES
NO FUEL
FOR OUR
VOYAGE?**

**THINK ABOUT
WHAT YOU'RE
SAYING,
MAN. ISN'T
THE ANSWER
OBVIOUS?**

**THAT'S
TOO
MUCH!
YOU'RE
SO
GREEDY!**

**WE'RE HAGGLING
OVER THE COST OF
YOUR VERY LIVES.
IF MY PRICE IS
TOO HIGH, GO FIND
ANOTHER CAPTAIN!**

**SKILLWISE,
YOU'RE THE
BEST BET
WE'VE GOT.**

**HEH HEH
HEH... FINE,
GO AHEAD AND
RIP US OFF.**



HA
HAH!!

KA
H
A

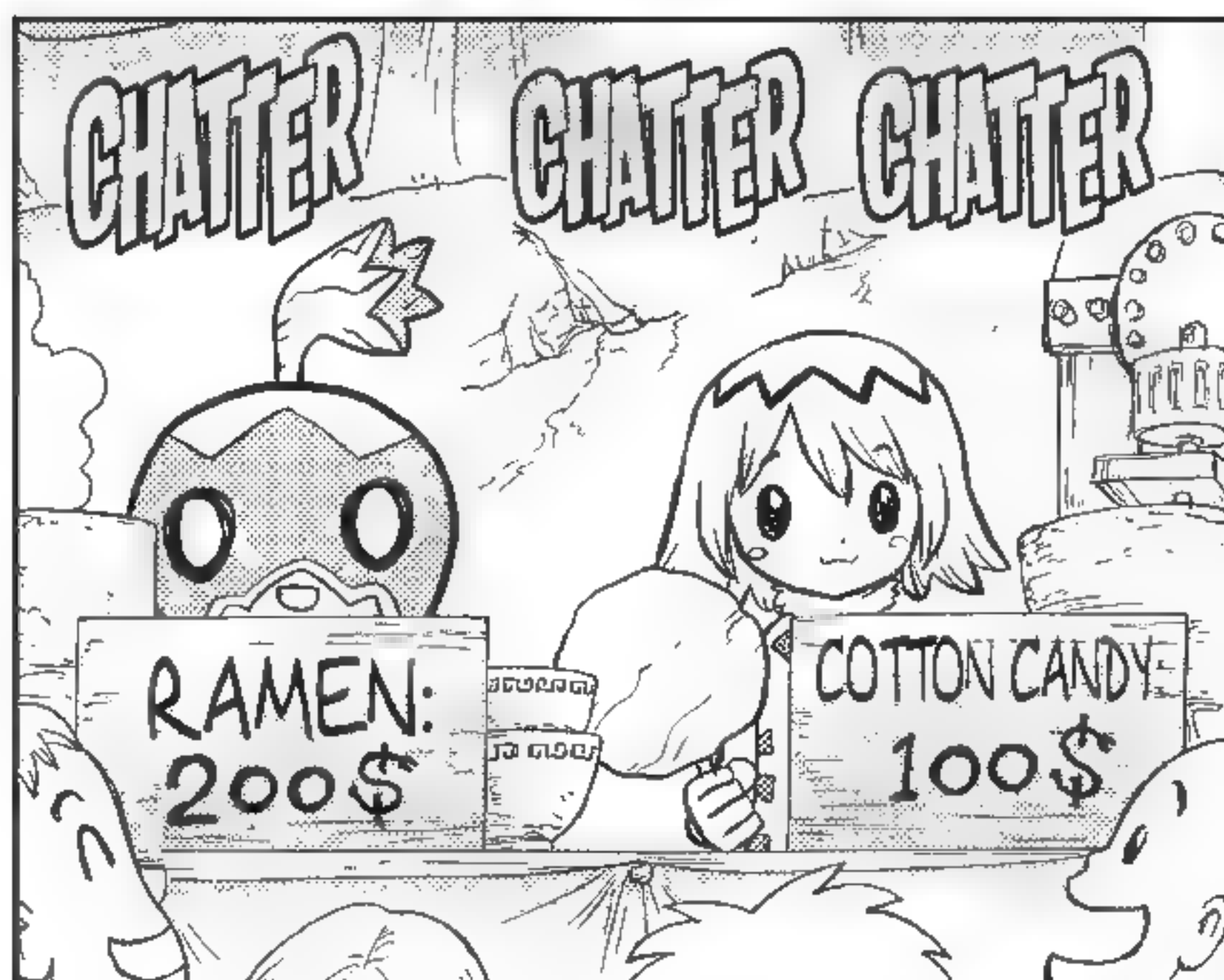
Currency
acquired!!

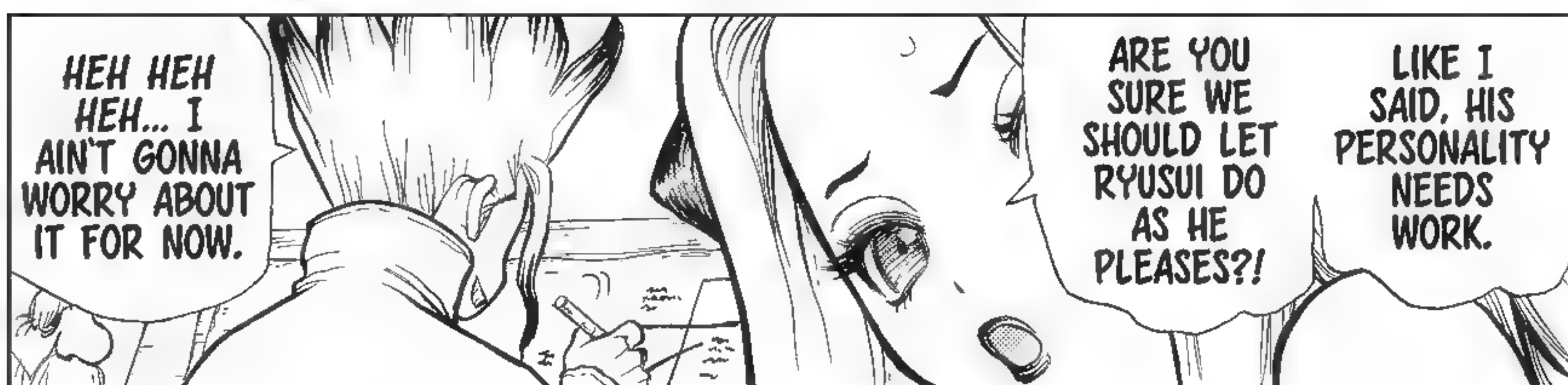
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...HAVE
SAVED UP
A SMALL
FORTUNE!!

ONCE
ALL OF
THEM...



BUT I WON'T
ACCEPT YOUR
SO-CALLED
MONEY.

YOU'RE NEW
AROUND HERE,
RYUSUI, SO
I'M HAPPY
TO HELP
YOU OUT.



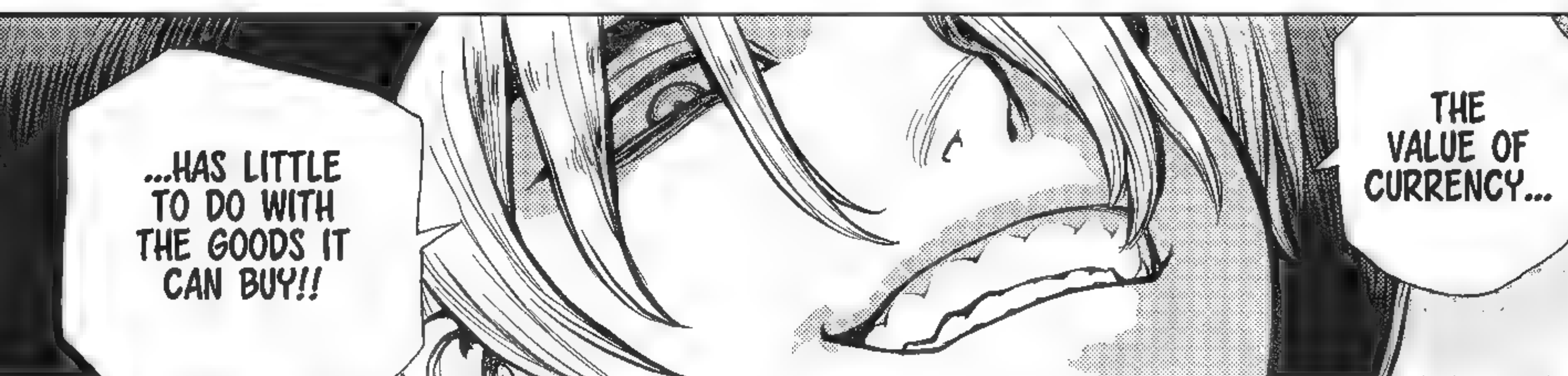
FWAH



HMPH!
EXCELLENT
QUESTION,
NIKKI!

IF THAT'S THE
CASE, WHAT
VALUE DO
THESE SCRAPS
OF PAPER
EVEN HAVE?

BESIDES,
THERE IS NO
OIL TO SELL
JUST YET.



...HAS LITTLE
TO DO WITH
THE GOODS IT
CAN BUY!!

THE
VALUE OF
CURRENCY...



...WILL TURN
MY SCRAPS
OF PAPER
INTO REAL
TREASURE!!

THAT
EXPECTA-
TION... THAT
HOPE...

TRUSTING
THAT SENKU'S
CHUMS WILL
FIND AN OIL
FIELD.

IT'S
ABOUT
TRUST!



A HUGE WATERFALL...

...ON PAR WITH THE MIGHTY NIAGARA!!

RNB
RNB
RNB
RNB
RNB
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RNB

...I'M CERTAIN THAT THAT WASN'T THERE 3,700 YEARS AGO!

NO. I MEAN, I NEVER HAD A HEAD FOR GEOGRAPHY, BUT...

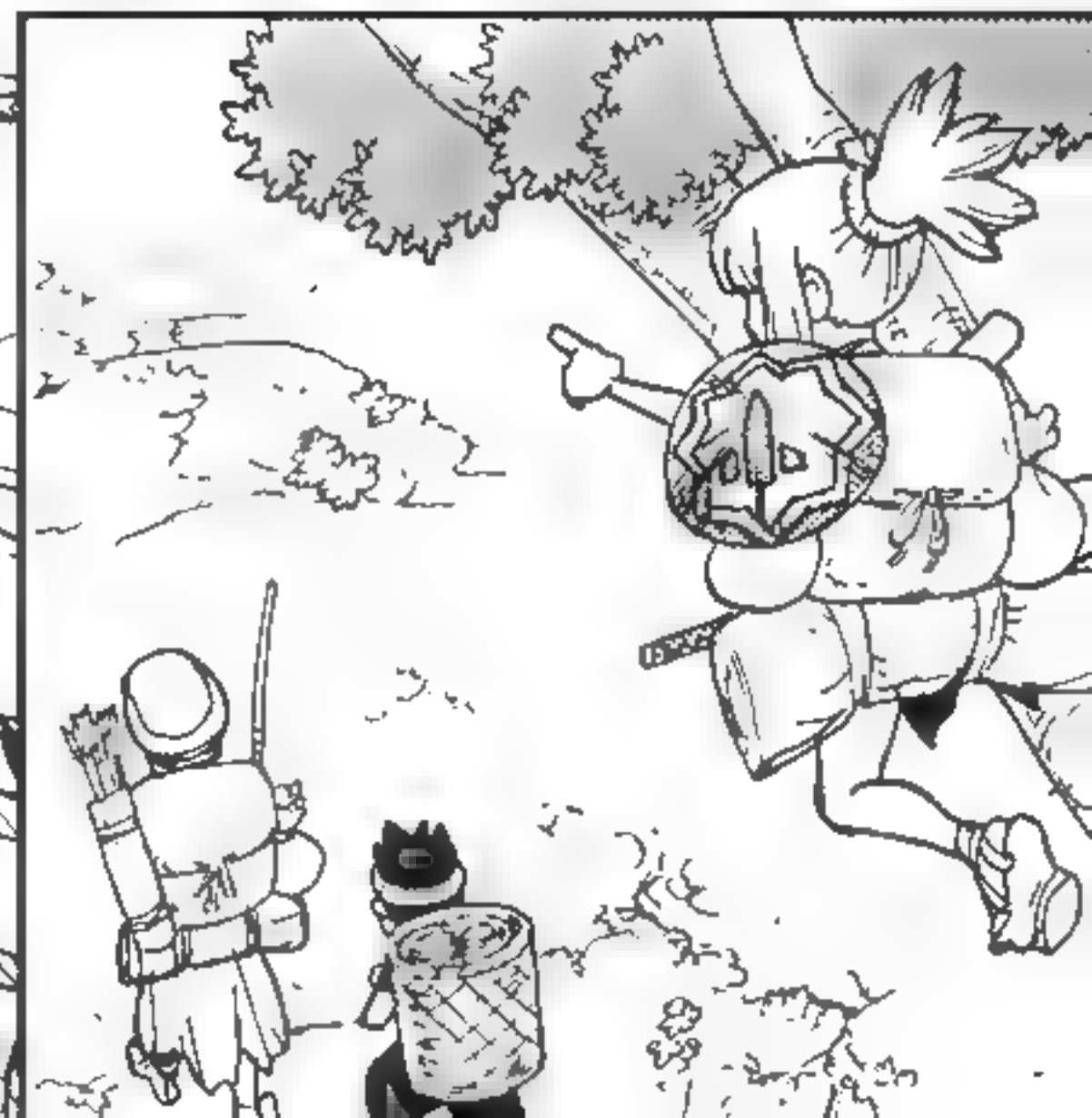
BAAAD...

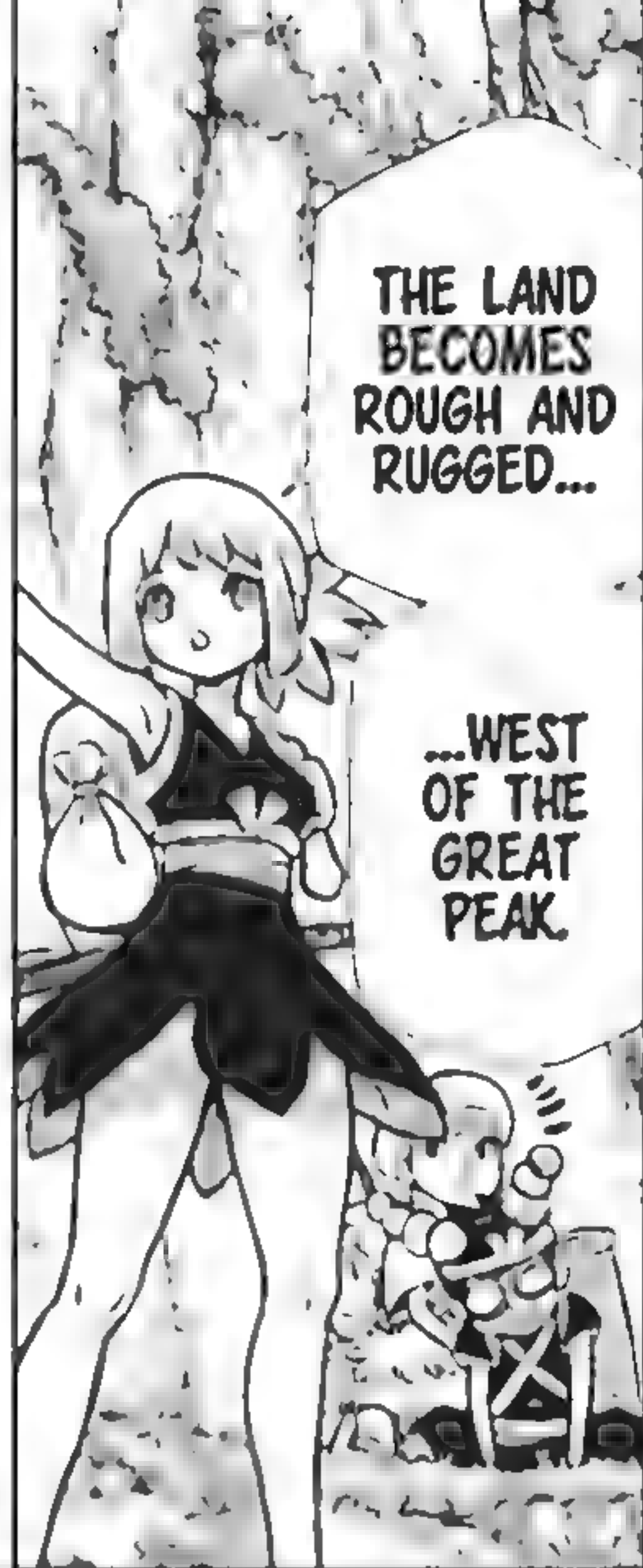
RIGHT ON THE BORDER OF SHIZUOKA...

DID HE DRAW IT WRONG, PERHAPS ?!

THIS IS NOTHING LIKE SENKU'S MAP.

I HEAR A WATER-FALL...





THE LAND
BECOMES
ROUGH AND
RUGGED...

...WEST
OF THE
GREAT
PEAK.

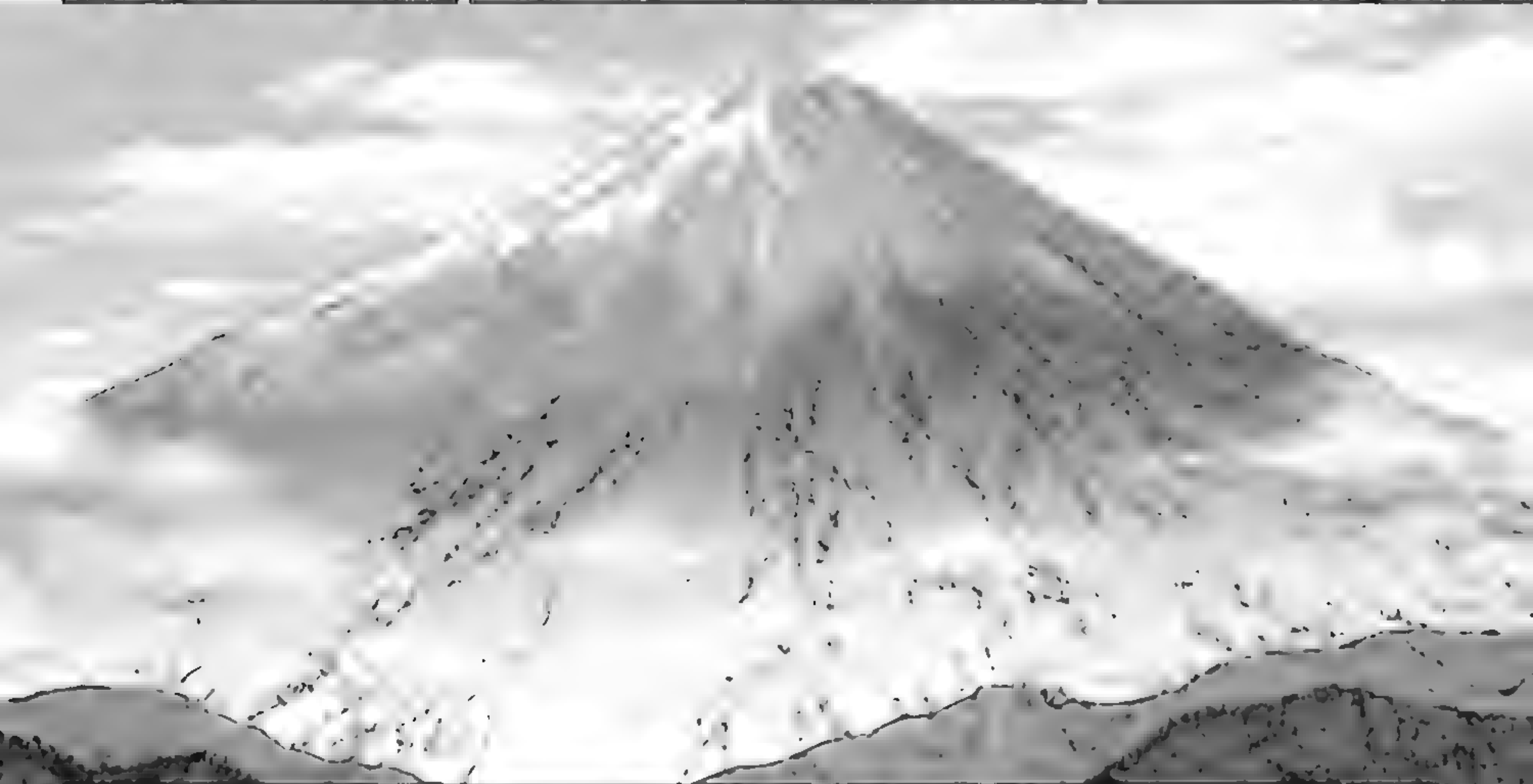


SKF SKF
SKF BAAAD!



THE LANDS
TO THE WEST
OF ISHIGAMI
VILLAGE WERE
ALWAYS
KINDA
CRAGGY.

I NEVER
MANAGED
TO EXPLORE
THE WHOLE
REGION...





HOW COULD
WE HAVE
BEEN SO
NAIVE...

RIGHT.

OF
COURSE.

...ABOUT
JUST HOW
LONG 3,700
YEARS
REALLY IS?!

RRRING

RRRING



WHAT'S
WRONG?

INLAND,
TOO.

OH?
THAT
SO?

THE
SHORELINE'S
ALL
RAGGED?



...FOR
FORGETTING
THAT IT
HAPPENS
EVERY FEW
CENTURIES...

HEH HEH
HEH... IT'S
PRETTY
OBVIOUS, IF
YOU THINK
ABOUT IT.

LIKE
ALWAYS, REAL
SCIENTISTS
WOULD BE
PRETTY
DISAPPOINTED
IN ME...



C'MON.
CANT
WE
GET BY
WITHOUT
THAT?!

ONE PIECED
TOGETHER
BIT BY BIT.

WE NEED
A NEW
MAP,
THEN.

EEK!

THAT'S
SO
SCARY...

...WOULD
BE A WILD
PLEA TO
THE GODS
OF FATE.
NOT TO
MENTION
DANGEROUS.

I'M AFRAID
NOT. DIGGING
FOR OIL
HAPHAZARDLY.
NOT KNOWING
WHERE ON
EARTH WE
ARE...

SO ANY MODERN
TOPOGRAPHIC
MAP MADE
FROM OUR
KNOWLEDGE IS
TEN BILLION
PERCENT
USELESS!!



FROM WAY
UP HIGH...

...AND
LOOK
DOWN
FROM
THE
SKY...

IF ONLY
WE COULD
RIDE ON
A BIG
BIRD...

...EX-
ACTLY
WHAT
THE
LAND
LOOKS
LIKE!!

...WE
COULD
SEE...

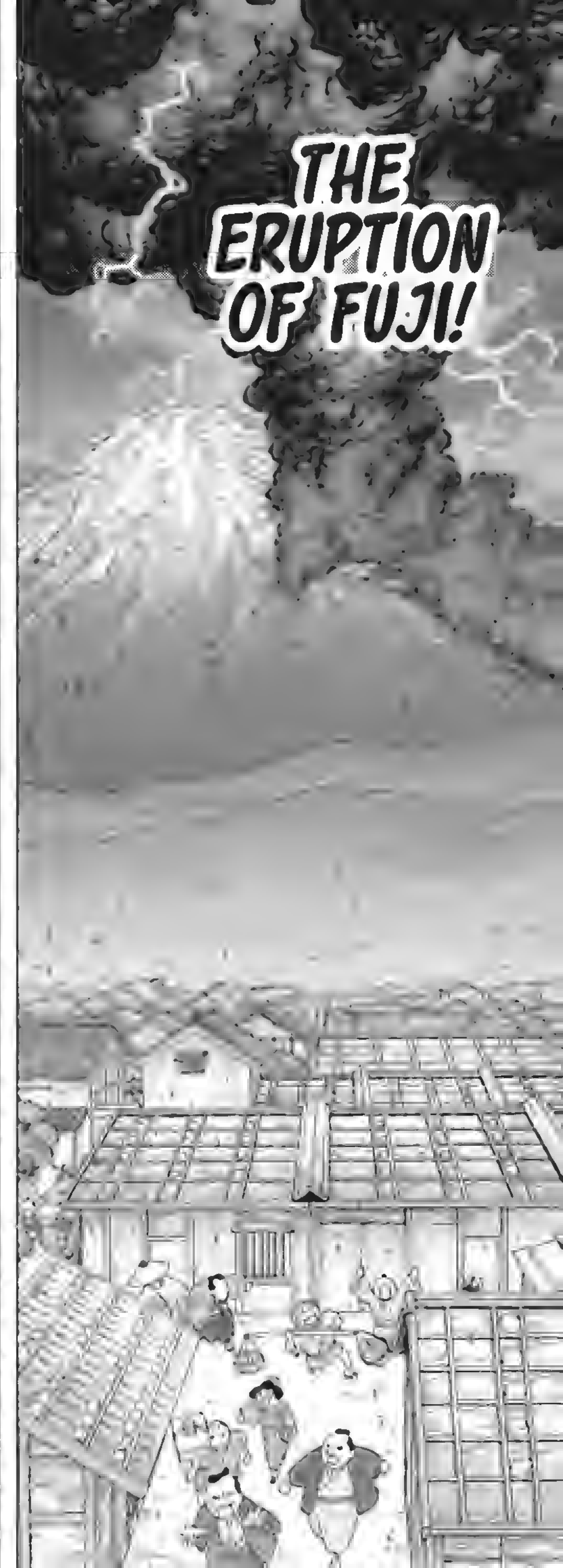


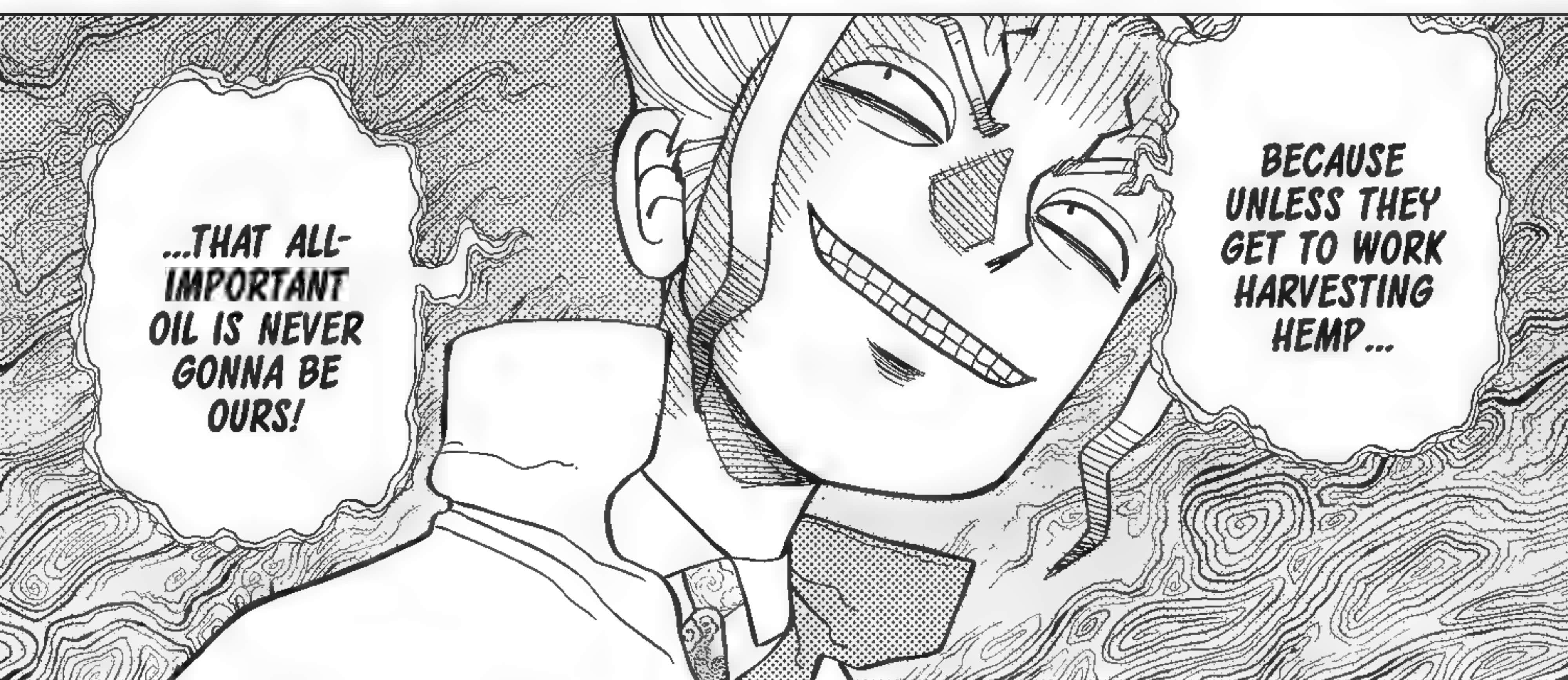
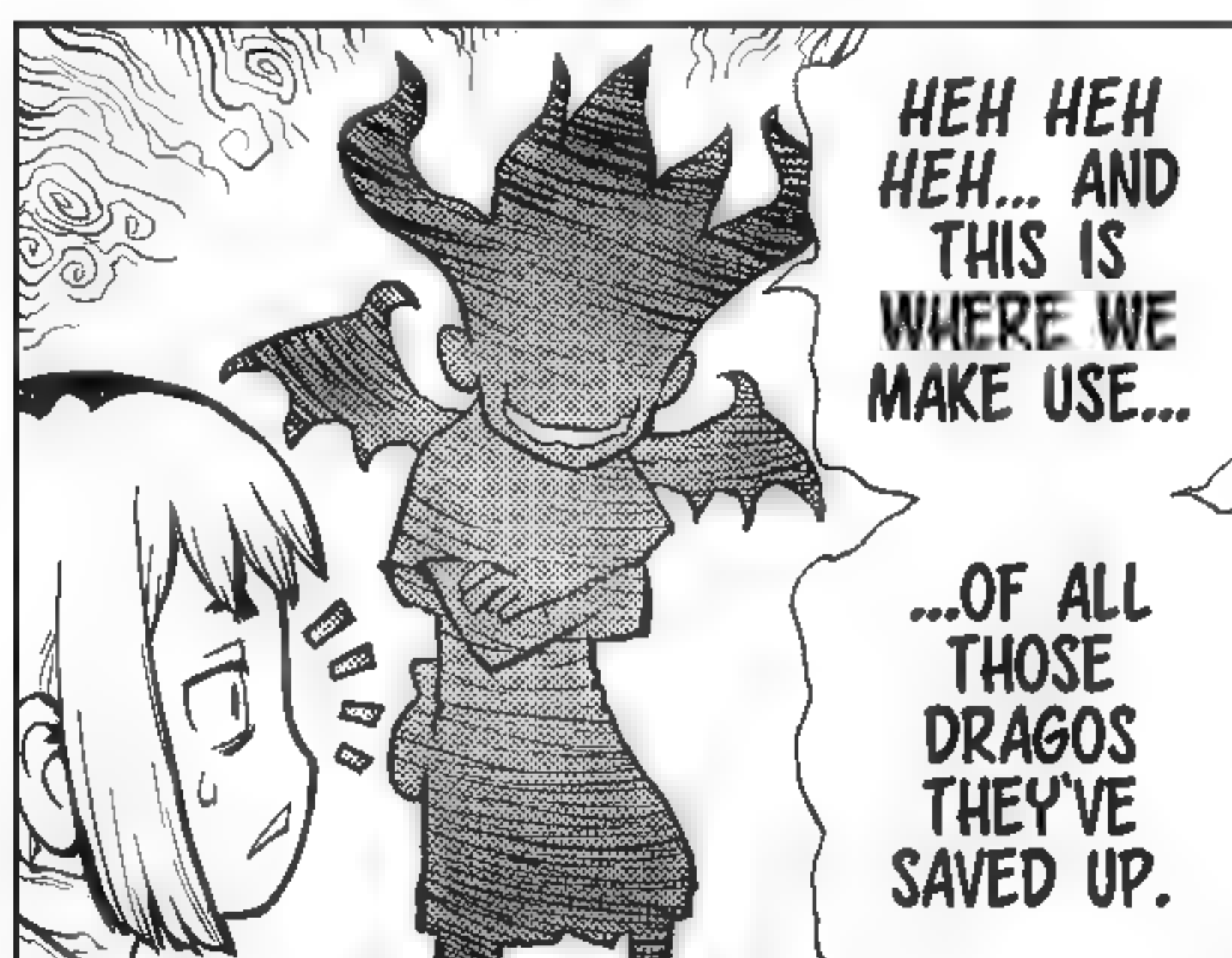
EACH BLAST IS
A CATACLYSM
CAPABLE OF
RESHAPING THE
LAND ITSELF!

AND DURING
THE 3700
YEARS WE
SLEPT...

...IT MUSTVE
BLOWN ITS TOP
AT LEAST FOUR
OR FIVE TIMES.
MAYBE EVEN AS
MANY AS TEN
TIMES!!

**THE
ERUPTION
OF FUJI!**







THEIR
VALUE
HANGS
IN THE
BALANCE
...

THOSE
DRAGOS
YOU
HOLD!

LISTEN,
FRIENDS...



OH YEAH?
WELL I'VE
GOT TWICE AS
MANY DRAGOS
AS YOU!!

WOO-HOO!
LOOKIT ME! I'M
FINALLY ROLLING
IN DOUGH! RICH
AT LAST!!



BUT WORRY
NOT! I
HAVE THE
SOLUTION!!

LISTENING?
GOOD.
♪

A WAY TO
ENSURE THAT
YOUR DRAGOS
ARE WORTH
MORE THAN
THE PAPER
THEY'RE
STAMPED
ON...



TOTALLY
WORTHLESS.
♪



WELL...THE
DRAGO-
FOR-OIL
EXCHANGE
WILL BE
MEANING-
LESS.

BECAUSE
IF WE
CAN'T
FIND
THAT OIL
FIELD...

SEE
WHERE
I'M GOING
WITH THIS?

AND THE
MONEY YOU
WORKED SO
HARD TO
SAVE UP...

TOMP TOMP TOMP TOMP

ARGHHHH!!

YOU'VE GONE AND MANIPULATED THE MARKET.

THE MONEY I CONVINCED THEM TO SAVE...

THAT'S BEEN TRUE FOR OVER A MILLENNIUM!

A SINGLE RUMOR CAN BRING ABOUT A DIRE FINANCIAL CRASH!

THESE PEOPLE'S LIVES REALLY REVOLVE AROUND MONEY, HUH?

YOU AND YOUR PEOPLE ARE RUTHLESS, SENKU...

**HYO
HYO
HYO!**

**HYO
HYO
HYO!**

A BIRD'S-EYE VIEW WILL HELP US FIND THAT OIL FIELD, SO...

JUST LIKE SUIKA THOUGHT ...

HOW WOULD A BIGGER MAP HELP, YOU PEA BRAIN?

NO, WE'RE MAKING A MASSIVE PIECE OF CLOTH!

ARE WE GONNA MAKE A BIG OLD PIECE OF PAPER TO DRAW A MAP ON?!

LOOKIT THIS GIANT PILE, SENKU!



**A HOT-AIR
BALLOON!**

**OUR
EXPEDITION TEAM
IS GONNA FIND
THAT SCIENTIFIC
TREASURE...**

**...FROM
THE SKY!!**





Mirai

Mental Age: ★

Enthusiasm: ★★★★★

Growth Rate: ★★★★★

Full Name: Mirai Shishio

Height: 139 cm

Job in Kingdom: Cotton candy vendor

Mirai and her friend Suika love running the food stalls together!

Mentally, she's only six years old, because that's when she went into a coma. However, by successfully holding down a job in the brutal Stone World, she's already started to mature at a breakneck pace.

Monitoring Tsukasa's freezer is another one of Mirai's jobs, so she's actually quite busy.

Z=87: Senku's Department Store





WE'RE...

**...GONNA
FLY?!**

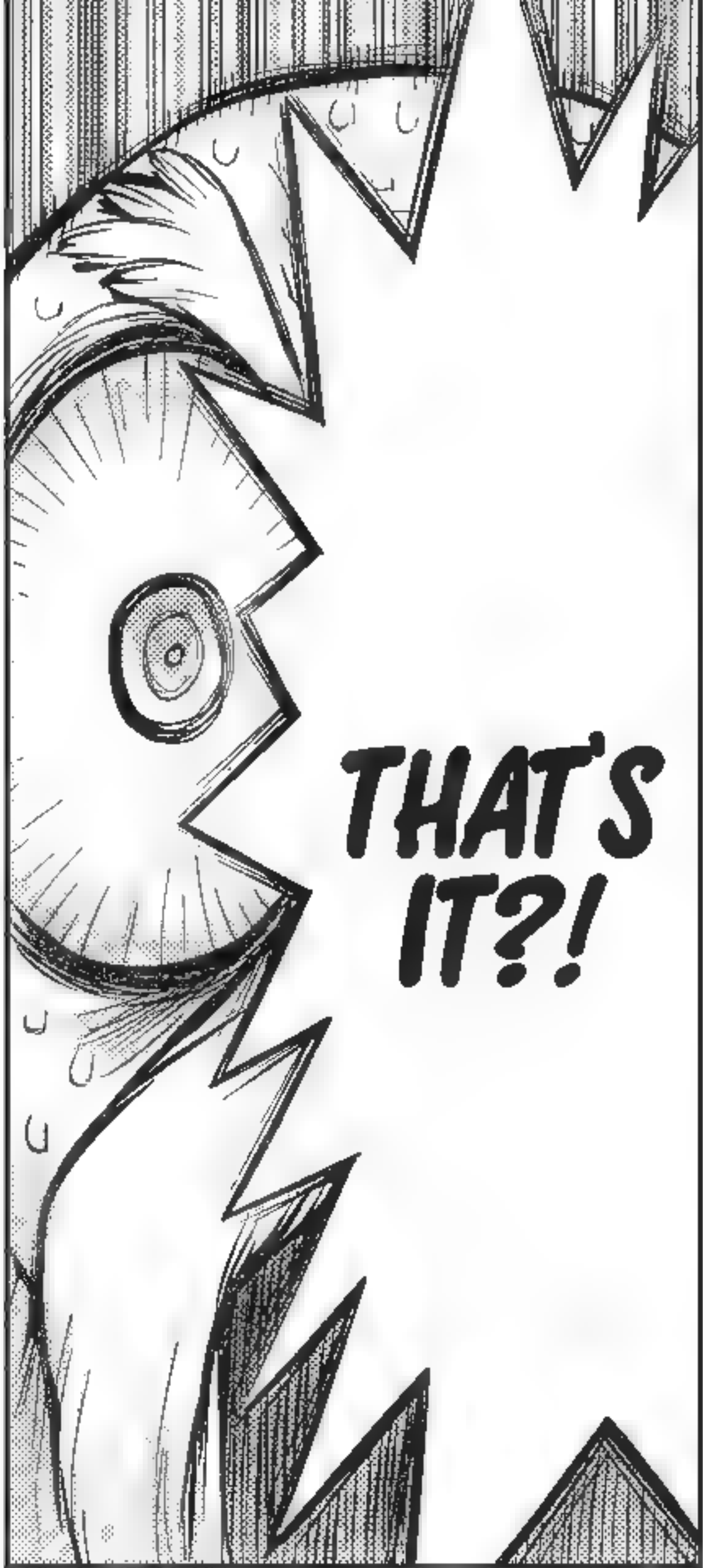


**MWA
HA HA
HA! NOT
EVEN YOU,
SENKU...**

**US?
HUMAN
BEINGS?!**

**...COULD
GET US
UP IN
THE SK-**





**THAT'S
IT?!**

YOU COULD
PACK UP THE
ENTIRE FLIGHT
KIT AND STUFF
IT IN A CAR.

HEH HEH
HEH... THIS
BALLOON'S
JUST ABOUT
THE SIMPLEST
THING
IMAGINABLE.

WHO KNEW
FLYING
WOULD BE
NO BIG
DEAL...?

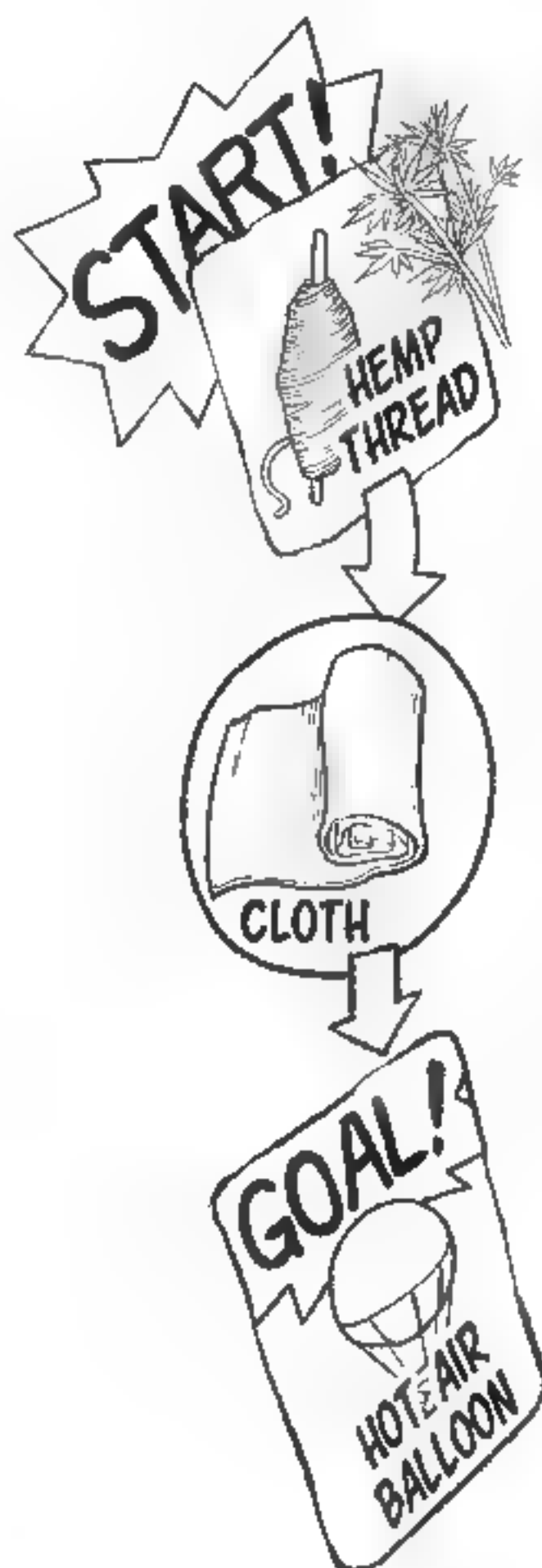
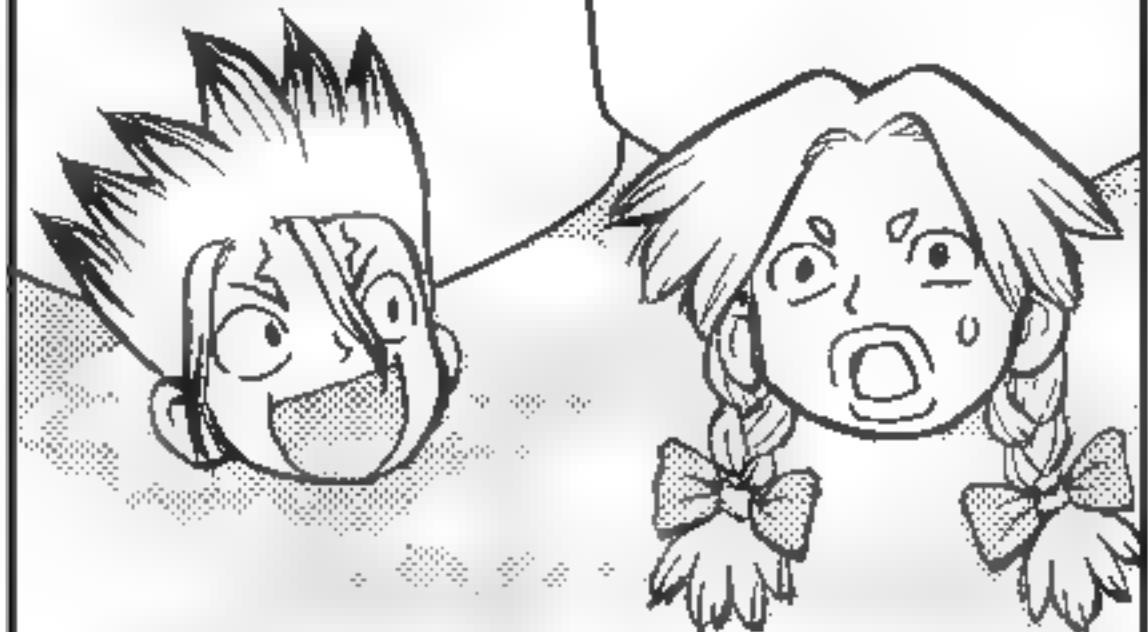


THAT
SHOULDN'T BE
A PROBLEM.

THE FIRST-
EVER HOT-AIR
BALLOON WAS
MADE THE
SAME WAY,
ACTUALLY.

HEMP
CLOTH?

WON'T THE
AIR LEAK
RIGHT
THROUGH
IT?



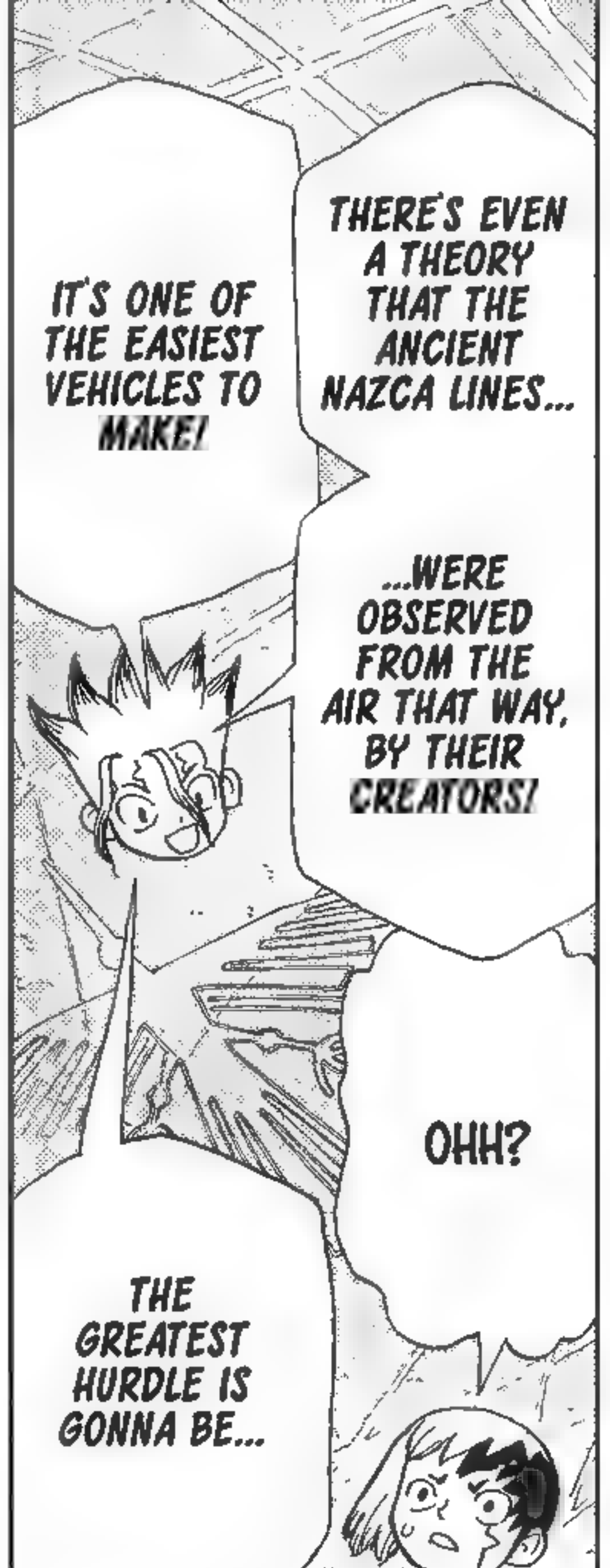


...A
TONNNN...

...OF
CLOTH?

RIGHT.

WE'RE
GOING TO
NEED...



IT'S ONE OF
THE EASIEST
VEHICLES TO
MAKE!

THERE'S EVEN
A THEORY
THAT THE
ANCIENT
NAZCA LINES...

...WERE
OBSERVED
FROM THE
AIR THAT WAY,
BY THEIR
CREATORS!

OHH?

THE
GREATEST
HURDLE IS
GONNA BE...



WELL, WHADDAYA
KNOW? LOOKS
LIKE IT'S UP TO
OUR HANDICRAFTS
PRO AGAIN! DIDN'T
THINK OF THAT!
NOT EVEN FOR ONE
MILLISECOND!

!!



...TO YOU
AND YOUR
HANDI-
CRAFTS
TEAM,
YUZURIHA?

CAN WE
LEAVE THE
WHOLE
CLOTH-
MAKING
JOB...

THE SCIENCE
TEAM WILL
BE BUSY
PLANNING FOR
THE ACTUAL
FLIGHT.

IF YOU
NEED ANY
TOOLS,
JUST SAY
THE WORD.



BAM

HUH?
ME TOO?

**YOU GOT
IT!!**

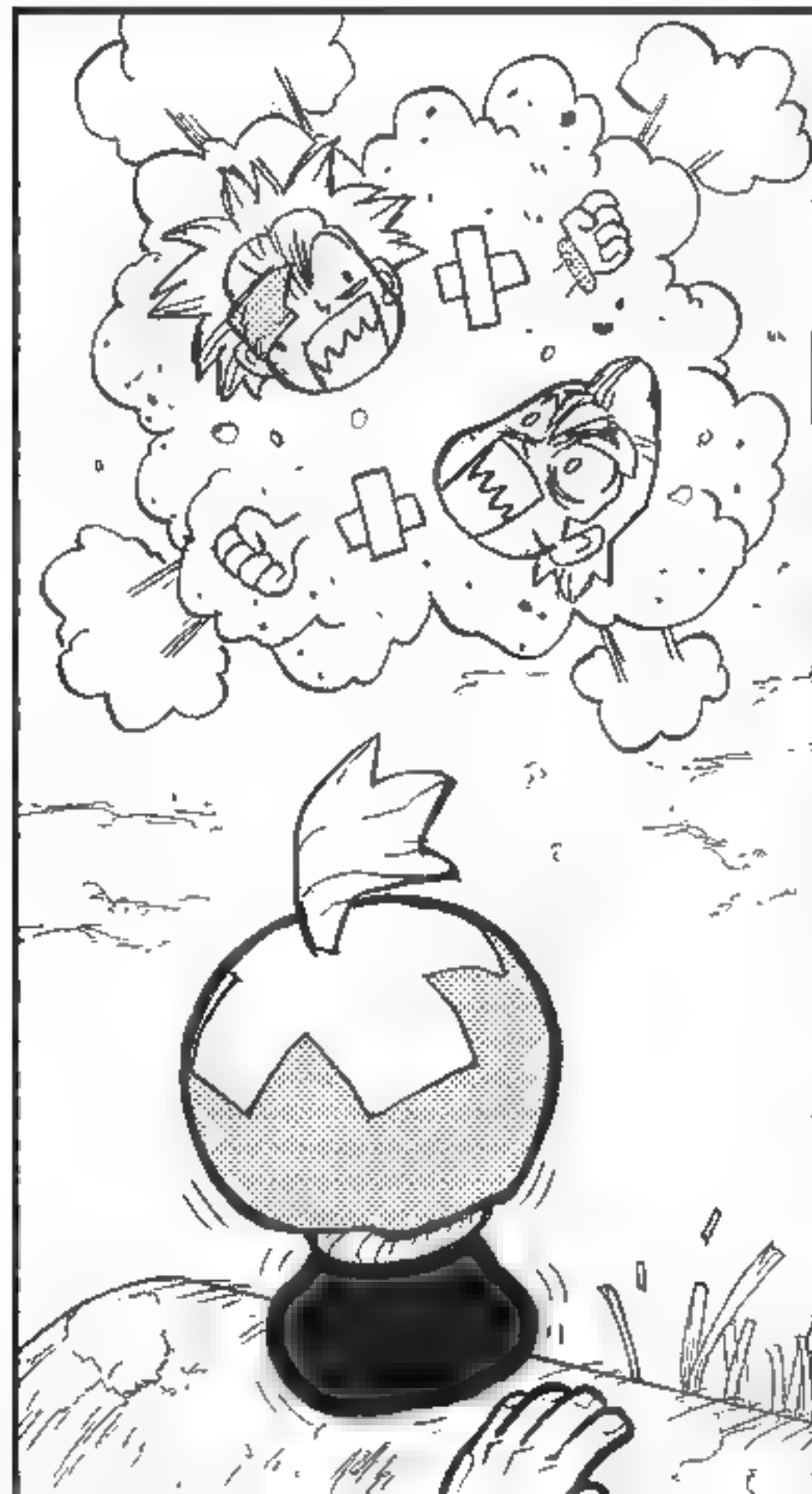
WHEN'D I GET
DRAFTED INTO
YUZURIHA'S
BATTALION?

**LET'S
DO THIS,
HANDI-
CRAFTS
TEAM!!**



**ROLL
ROLL**

**ROLL
ROLL**



HOW'RE WE
GONNA FLY
WITH THIS
GRASS?!

I DON'T
GET IT.

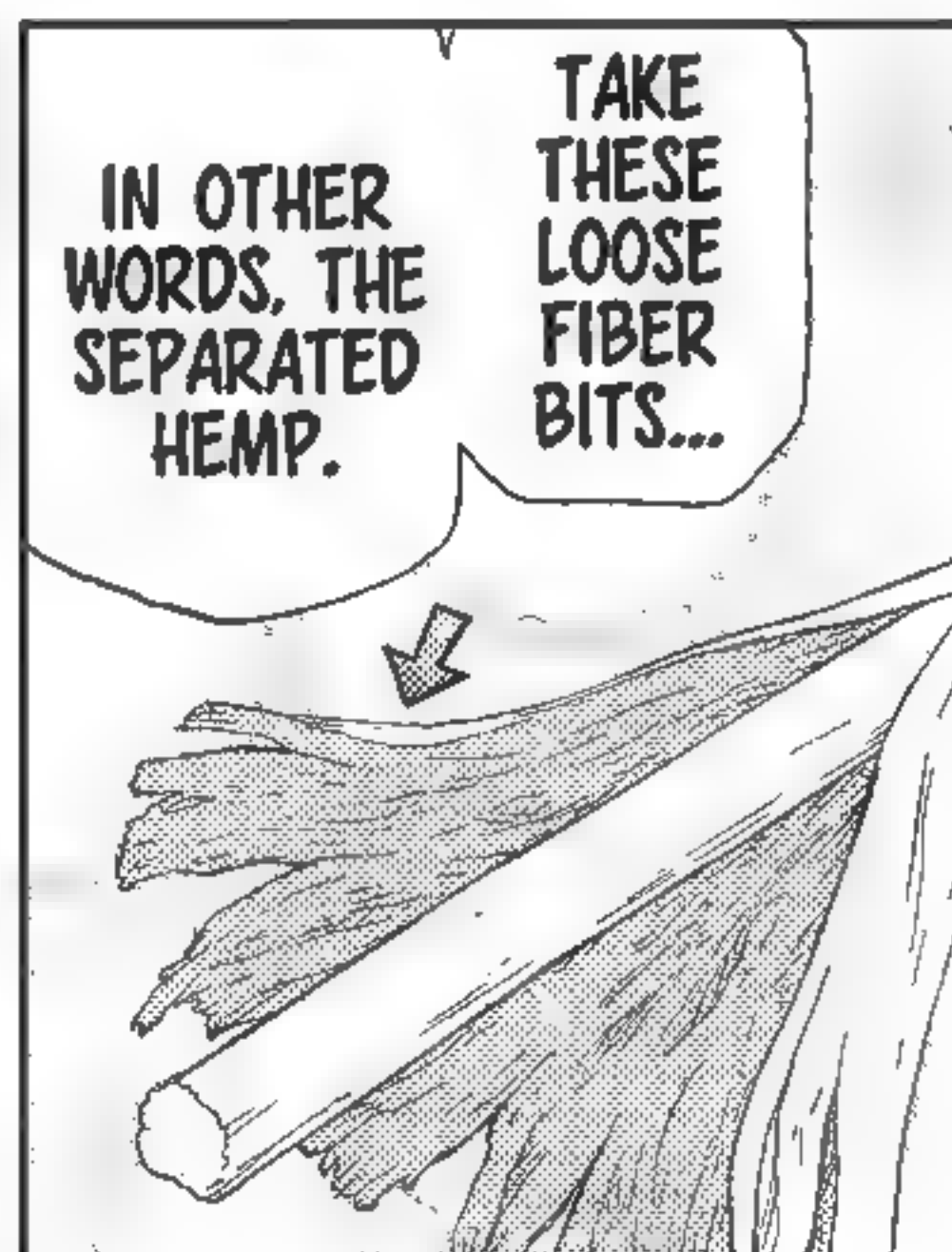
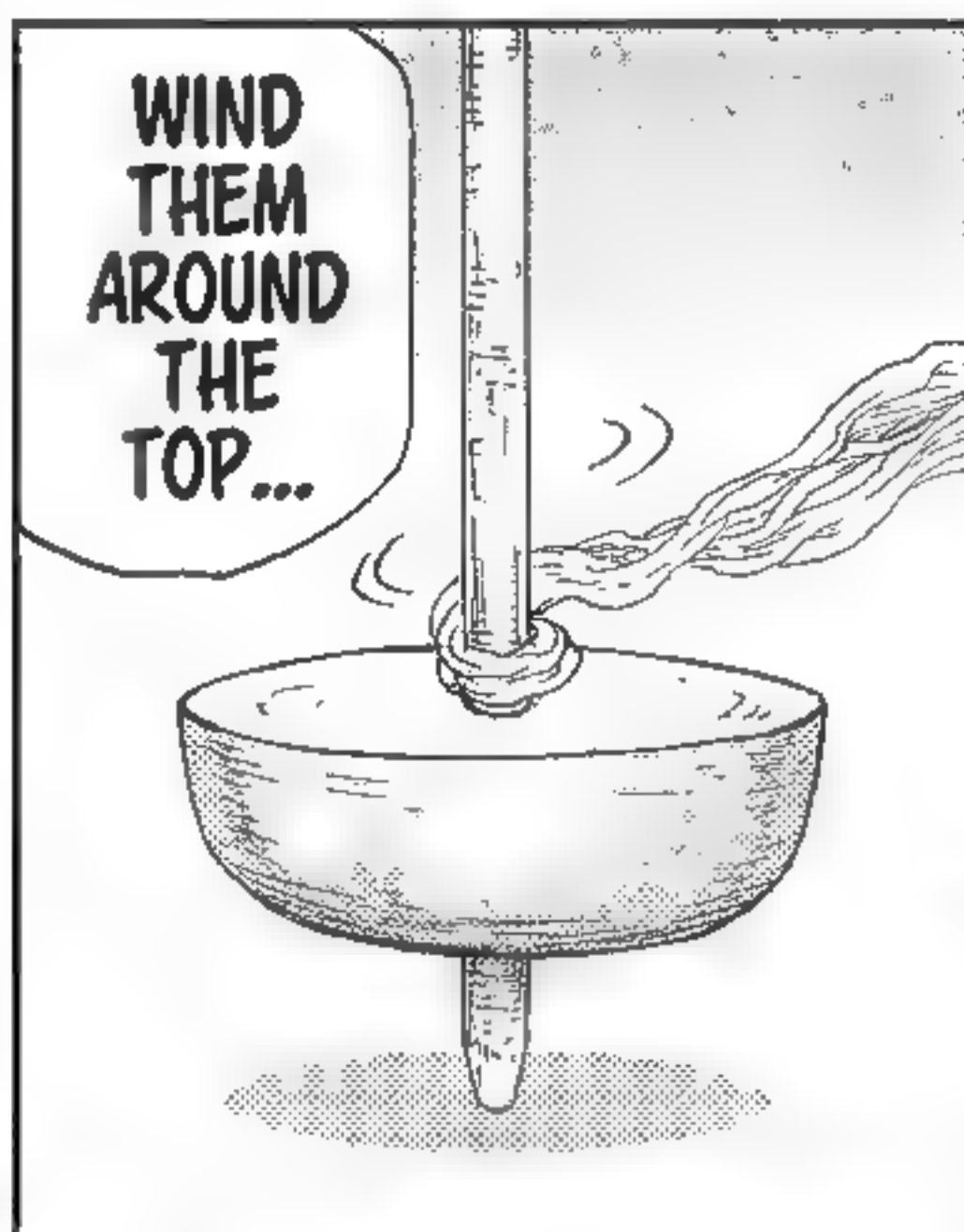
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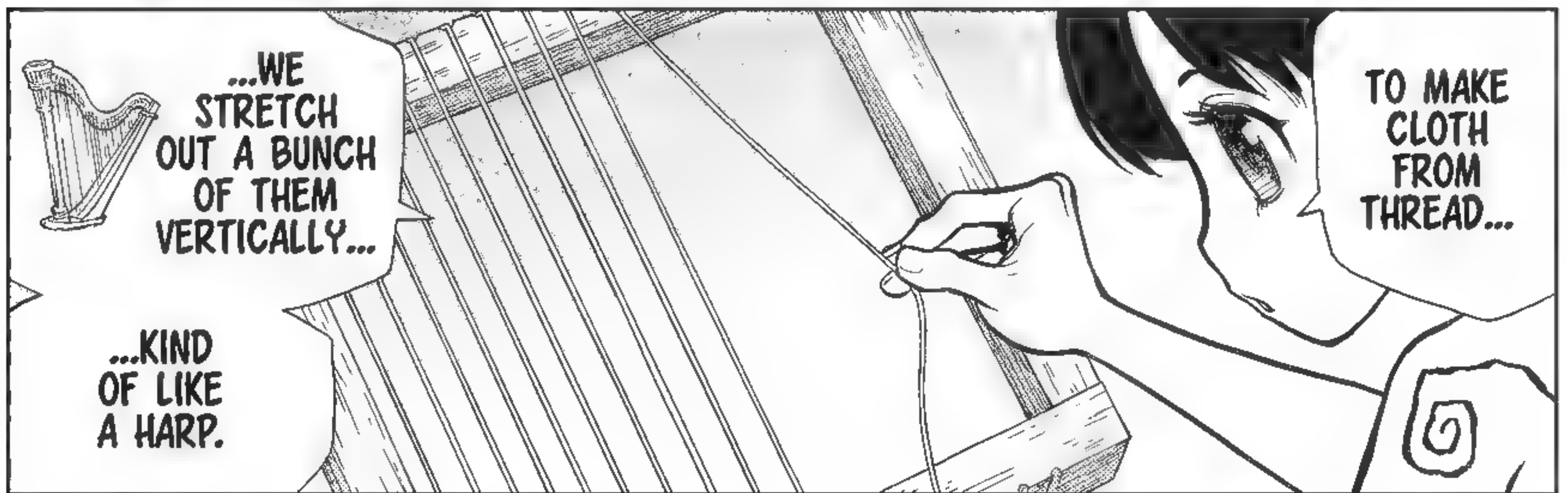
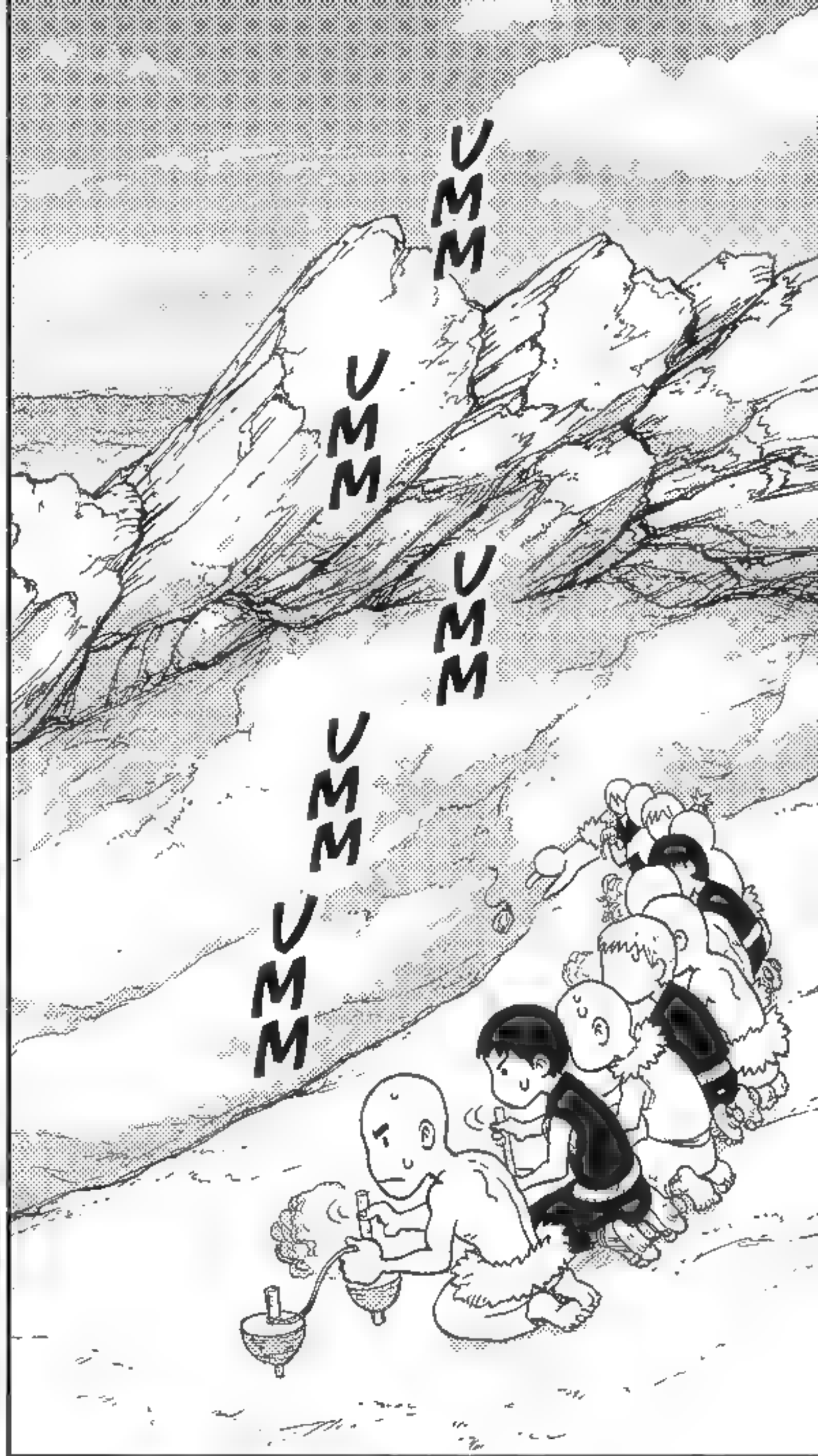
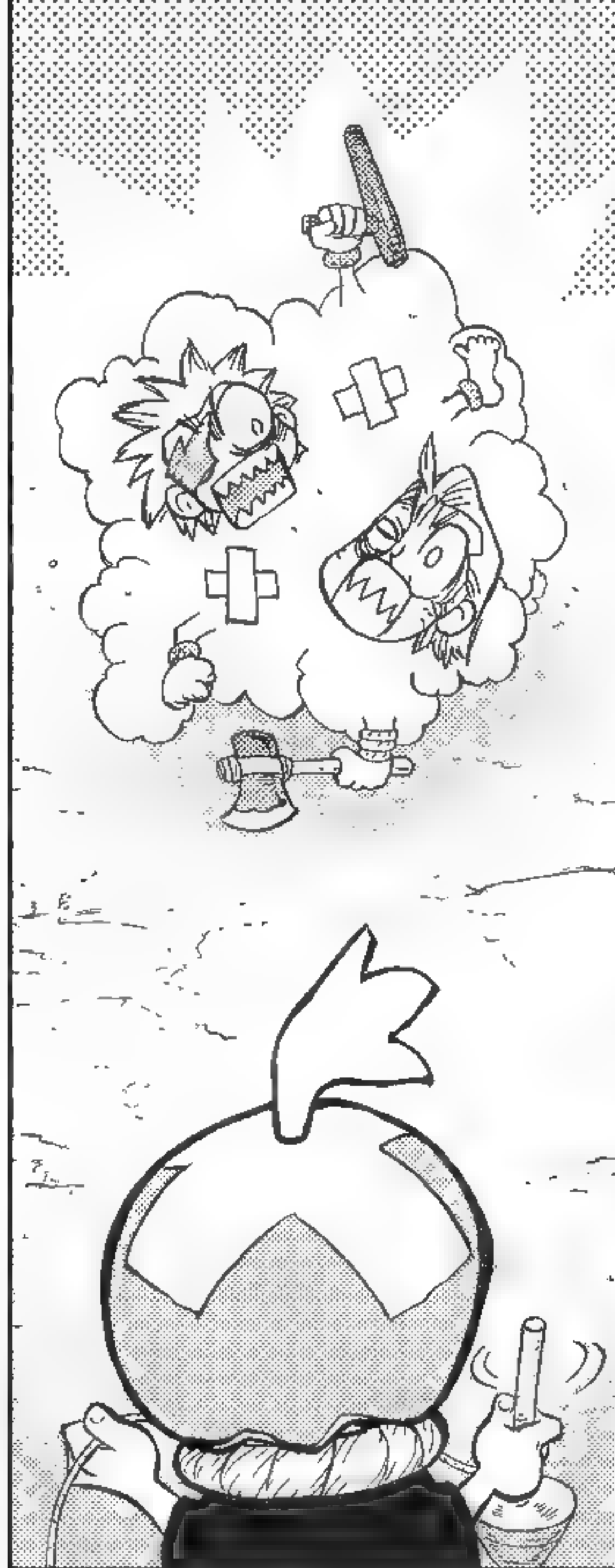
WE DON'T FLY
WITH GRASS.
WE MAKE
THREADS.

**ROLL
ROLL**

THIS
HEMP...

...NEEDS
TO BE
CRUSHED AND
SEPARATED,
RIGHT? I'M
THE MAN FOR
THE JOB!!

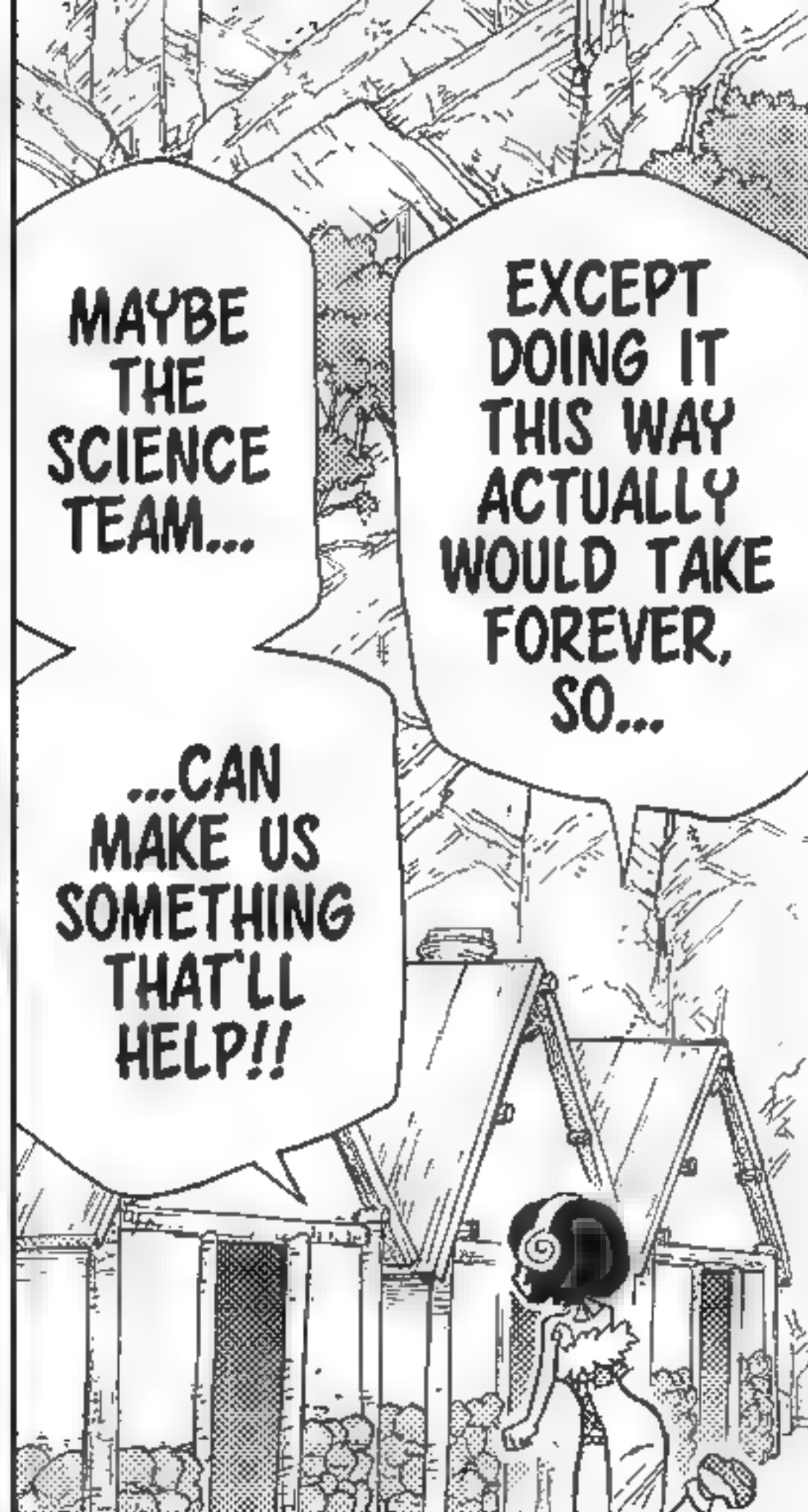






A
LOOM?

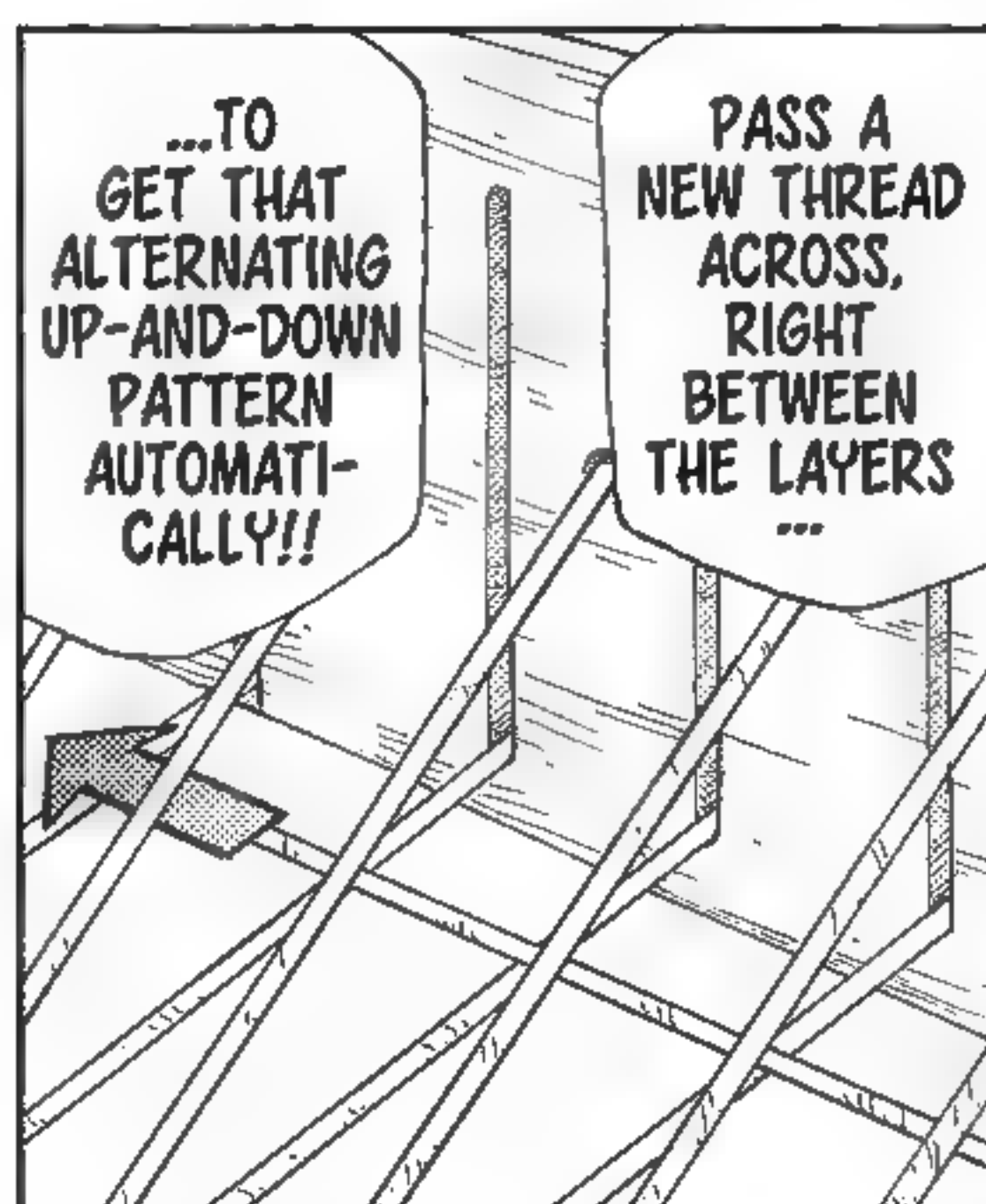
OHO HO!
YOU BET.
SOUNDS LIKE
MY KINDA
THING!



MAYBE
THE
SCIENCE
TEAM...

EXCEPT
DOING IT
THIS WAY
ACTUALLY
WOULD TAKE
FOREVER,
SO...

...CAN
MAKE US
SOMETHING
THAT'LL
HELP!!



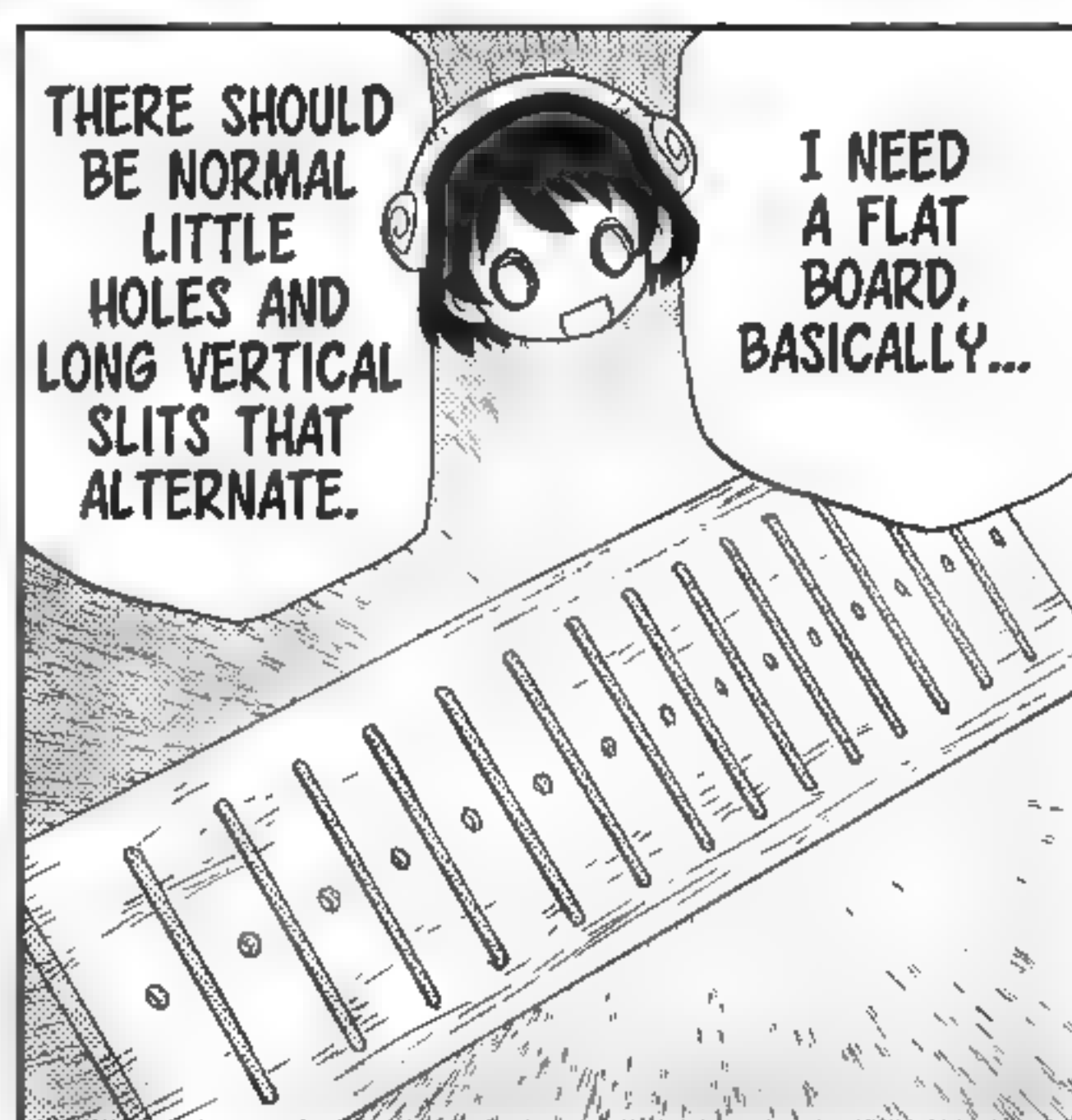
...TO
GET THAT
ALTERNATING
UP-AND-DOWN
PATTERN
AUTOMATI-
CALLY!!

PASS A
NEW THREAD
ACROSS,
RIGHT
BETWEEN
THE LAYERS
...



AFTER PASS-
ING THREAD
THROUGH ALL
OF THEM,
YOU LIFT THE
BOARD...

...SO
ONLY THE
THREADS IN
THE LITTLE
HOLES RISE
UP.



THERE SHOULD
BE NORMAL
LITTLE
HOLES AND
LONG VERTICAL
SLITS THAT
ALTERNATE.

I NEED
A FLAT
BOARD,
BASICALLY...



FINALLY,
A REAL
LOOM!!



OKAY.

I'LL HAVE
SENKU
DRAW
ME UP A
BLUEPRINT.

I GUESS IT'S
KIND OF HARD
TO PICTURE
FROM JUST AN
EXPLANATION...

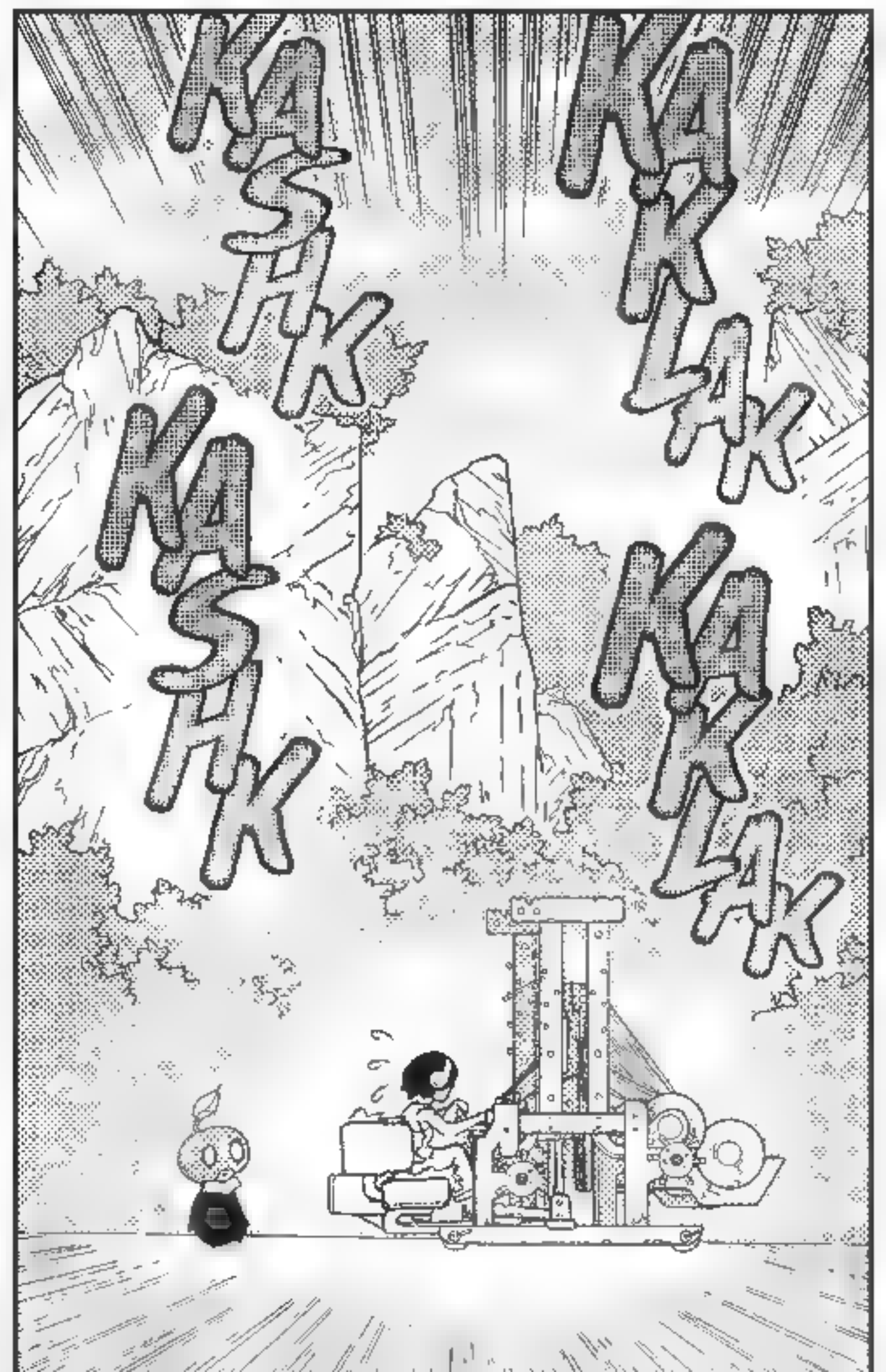
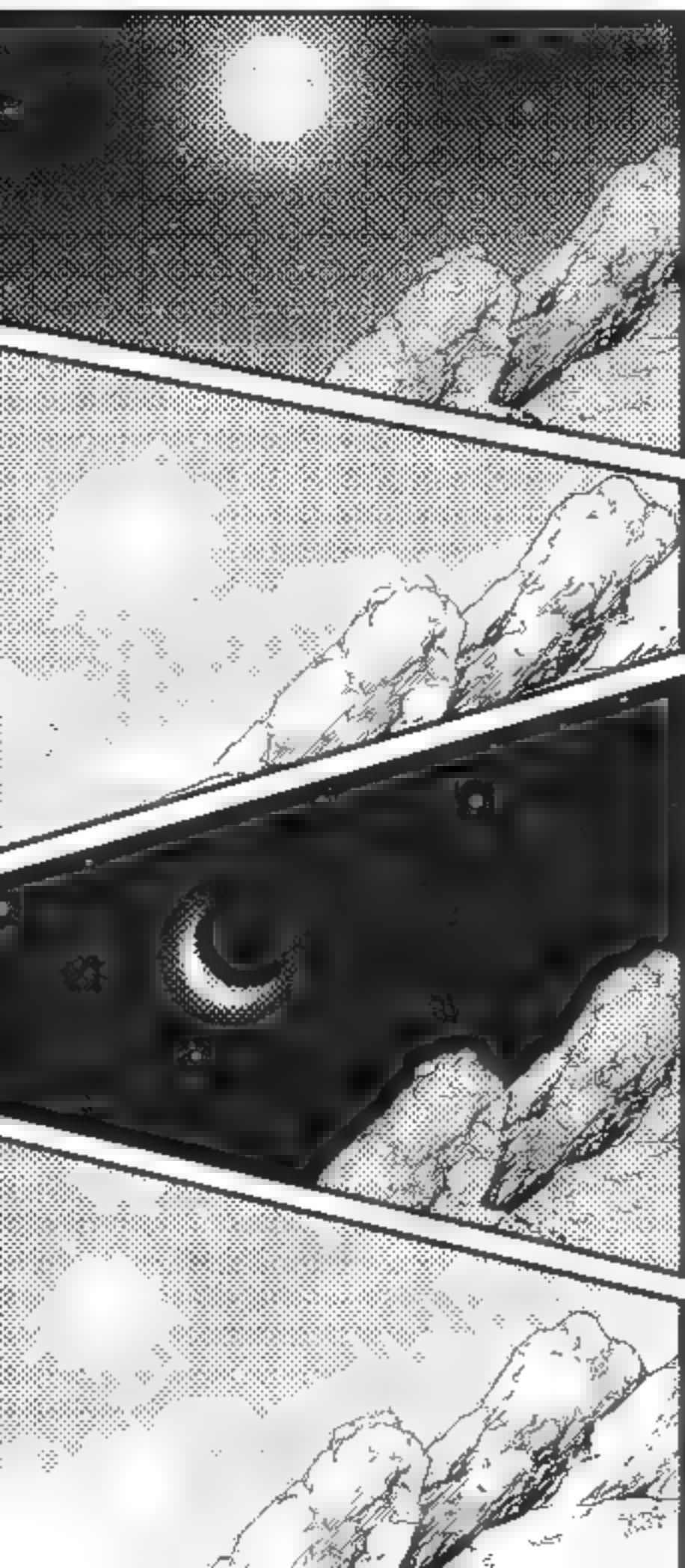
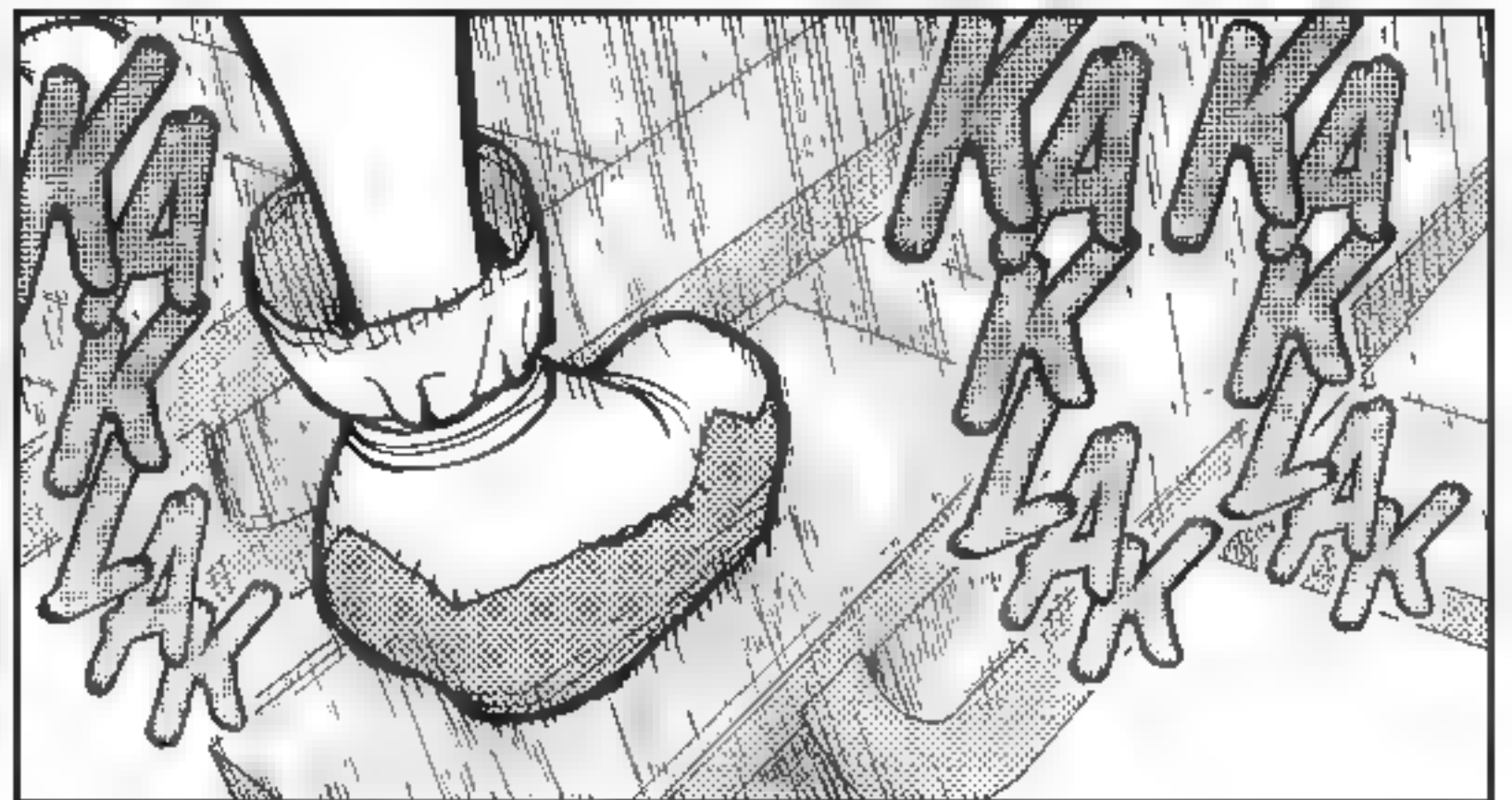
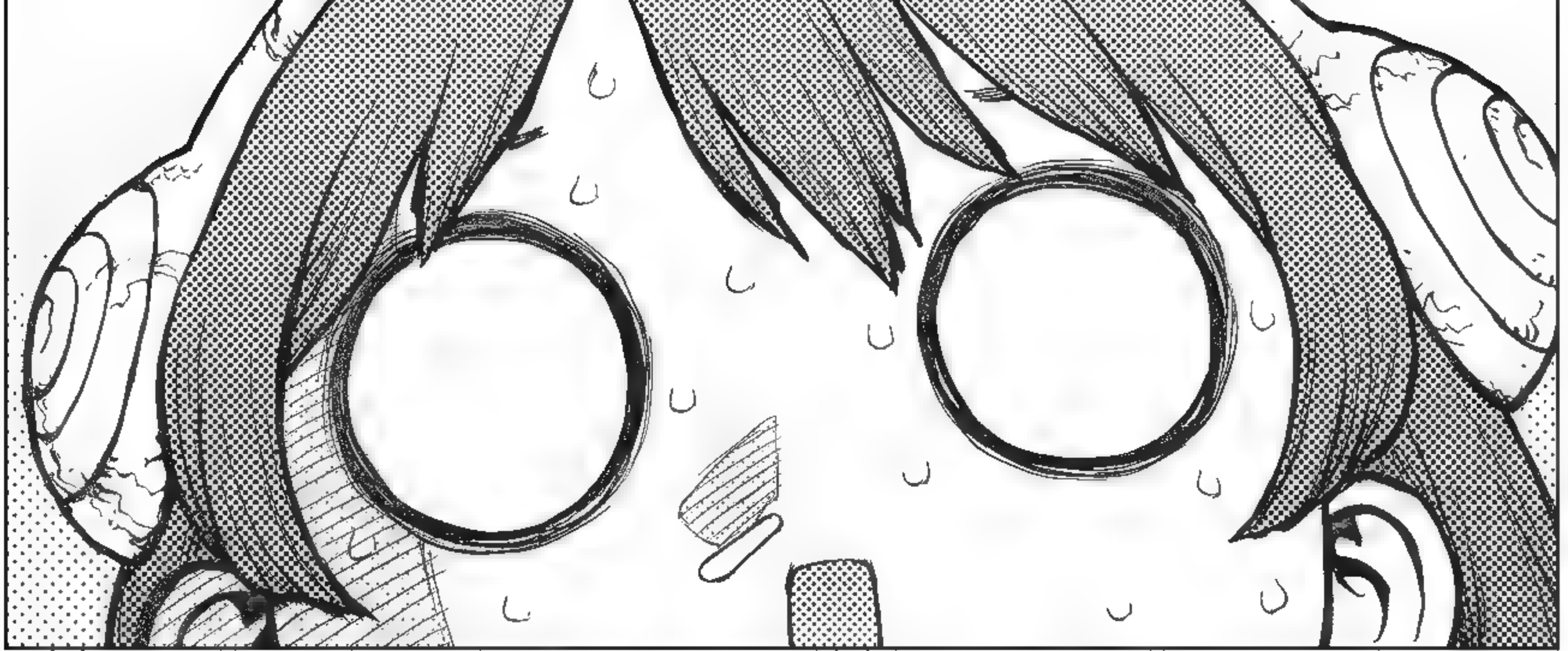
MIGHT BE
FASTER JUST
TO ASK SENKU.



KRAT
KRAT
KRAT

SKETCH
SKETCH
SKETCH







**IT'S
ALL SO
PRETTY
!!**

YAYYY!

**Cloth
acquired!!**

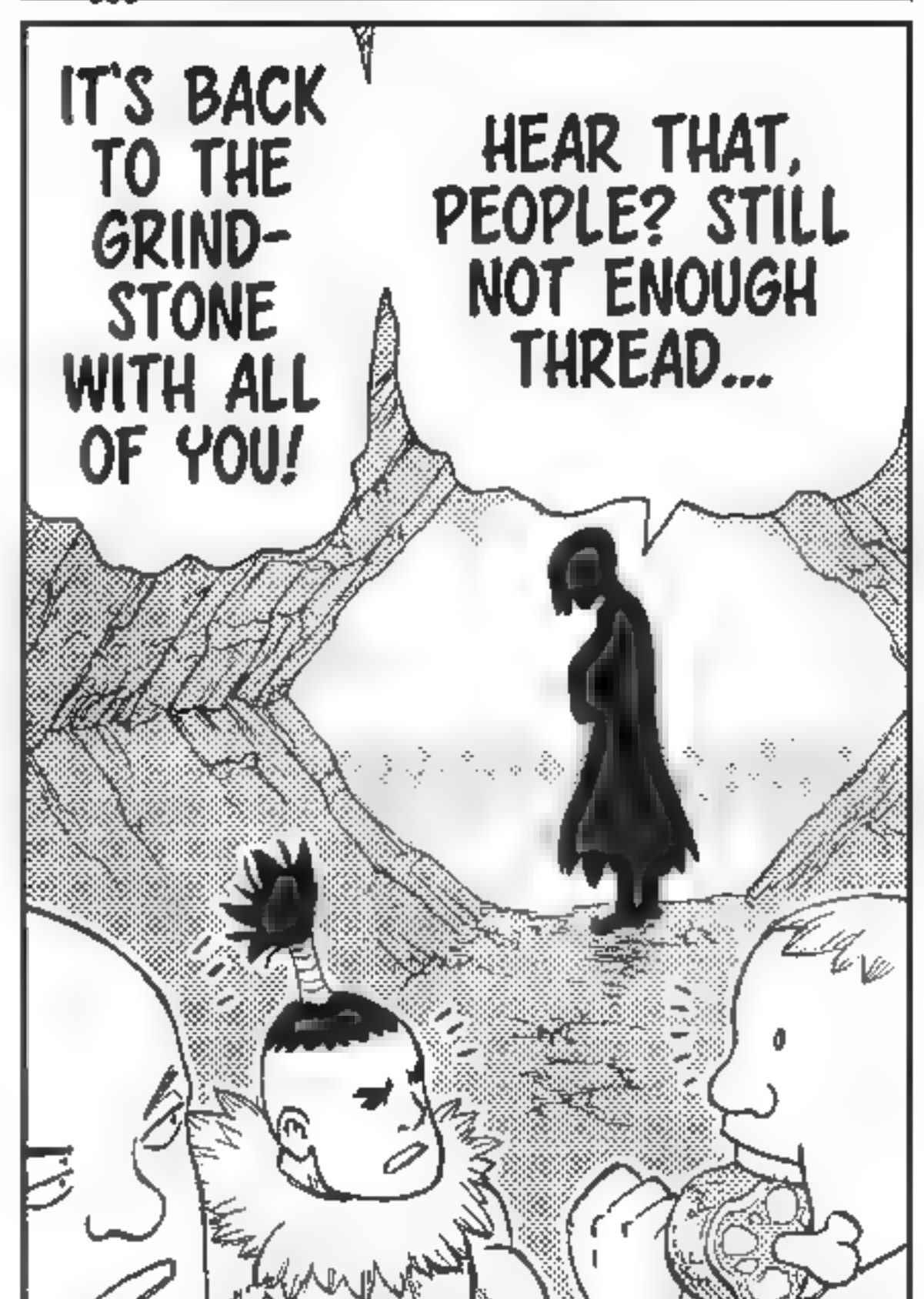
**...WON'T
HOLD THE
HOT AIR
IN OUR
BALLOON...**

**CLOTH THAT
BREATHES
TOO
EASILY...**

**A LOT OF
THAT WON'T
MAKE THE
CUT, THOUGH.**

**I KNEW WE
COULD COUNT
ON THE
HANDICRAFTS
TEAM!**

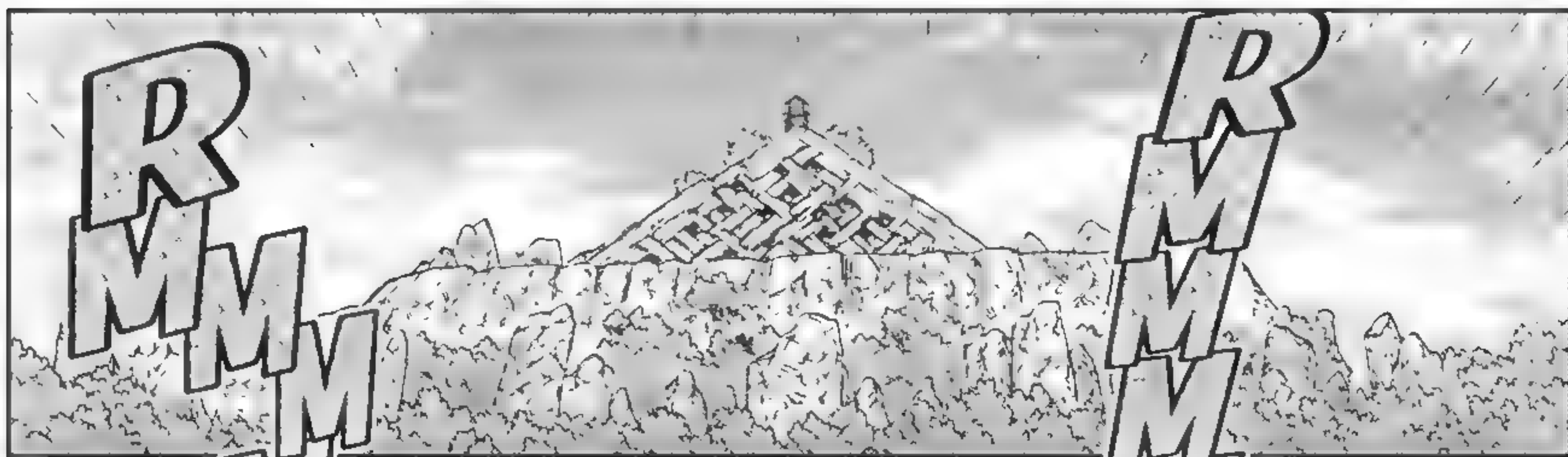
**WE JUST
NEED A
LITTLE
MORE!**

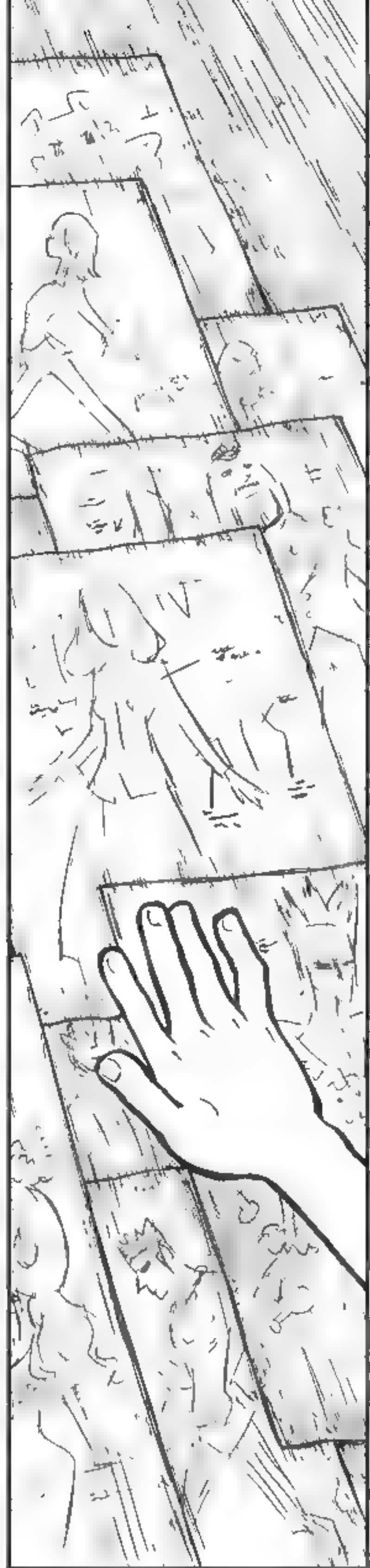




**I'D
LOVE TO
DESIGN
SOME!!**

**YES,
PLEASE
!!**



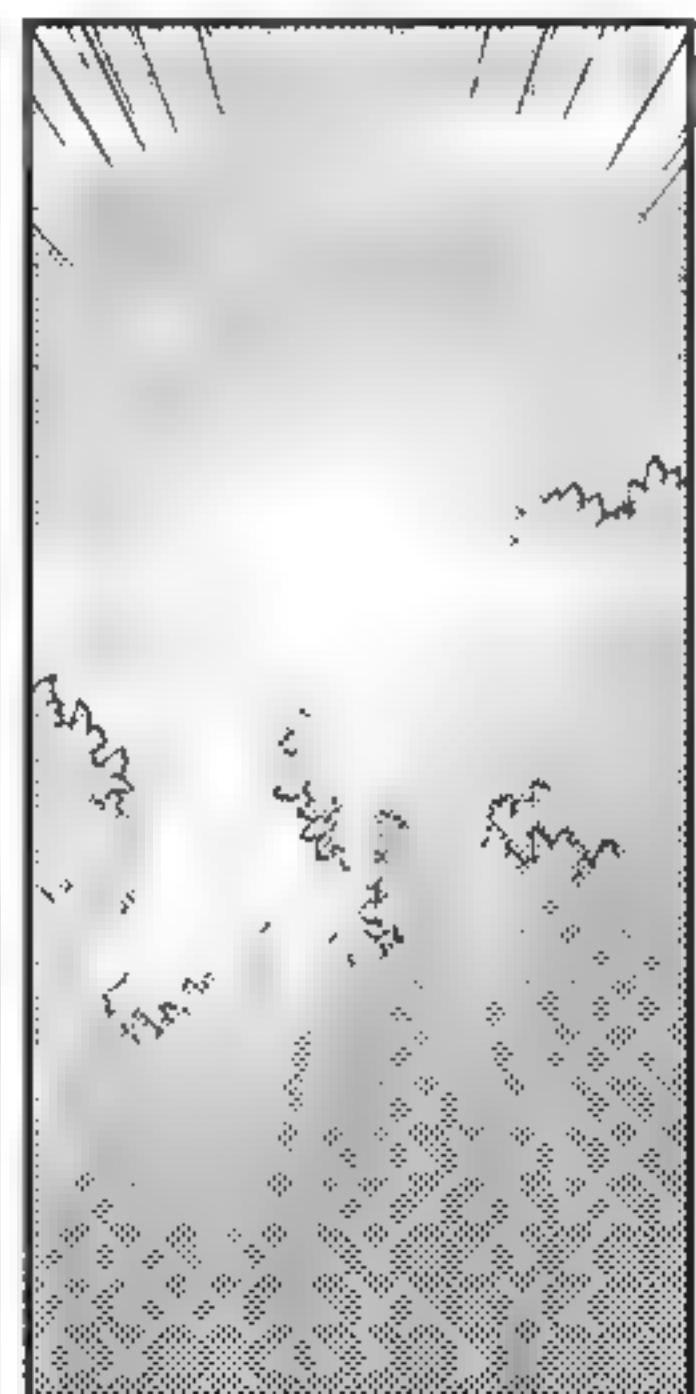
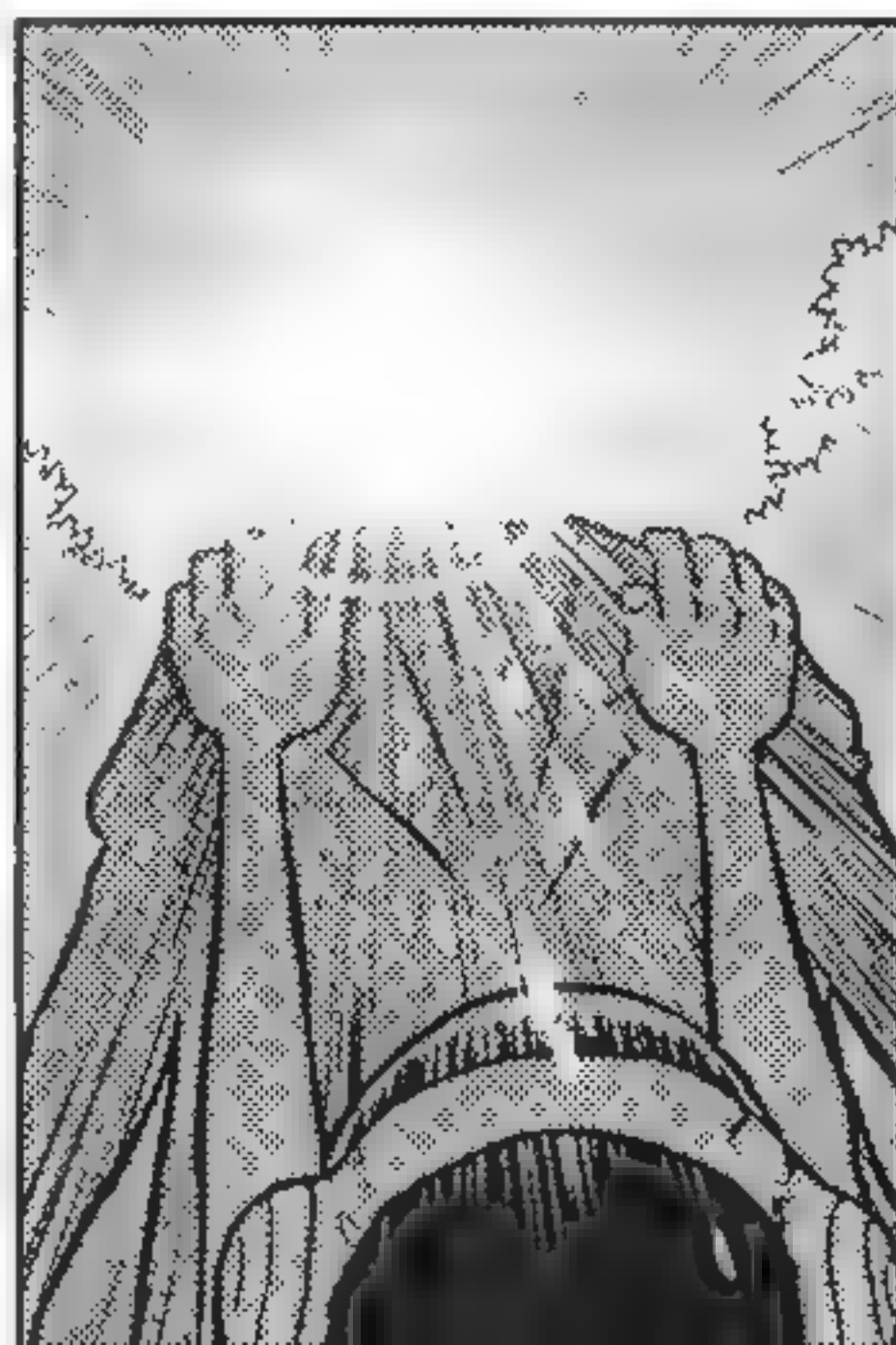


NAW!
SHE'S
ALWAYS
BEEN
LIKE THAT
WHEN
CRAFTING.

RMMMBB

ITS LIKE
HER WHOLE
CHARACTER
HAS
CHANGED.

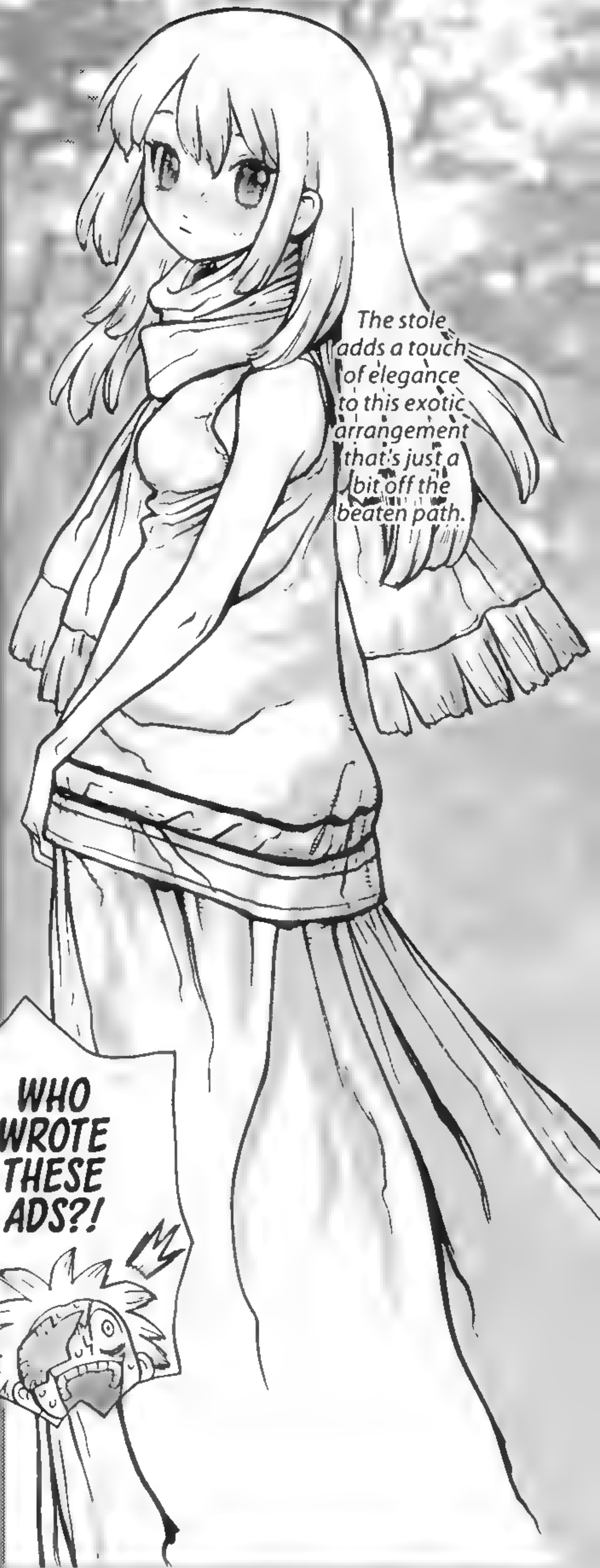
SHE'S
BECOME A
BERSERKER
...





On the one hand, we have a traditional, slim-fit look. On the other, a knitted sweater and casual accessories for the man who knows what he wants.

ANTASTIC-FAY,
YUZURIHA.
YOU MADE ALL
THIS FROM
HEMP CLOTH?



The stole adds a touch of elegance to this exotic arrangement that's just a bit off the beaten path.

WHO
WROTE
THESE
ADS?!



Left:
Turtleneck—12,800 \$
Button-Up—10,500 \$
Tailored Jacket—45,000 \$
Belt—29,000 \$
Slacks—53,000 \$

Above:
Stole—45,000 \$
Sleeveless Top—32,000 \$
Skirt—26,000 \$



Special occasions demand a suave three-piece. But that doesn't mean hiding your inner rocker.



IT'S SO PRICEY!

Trying to stay fashionable in these modern times? Add a dash of street chic to a style that screams, "I'm a cute little girl!"

I KINDA WANT THIS...

Left:

Dress Shirt—25,000 S

Necktie—15,000 S

Vest—35,000 S

Tailored Jacket—155,000 S

Cuff Links—23,000 S

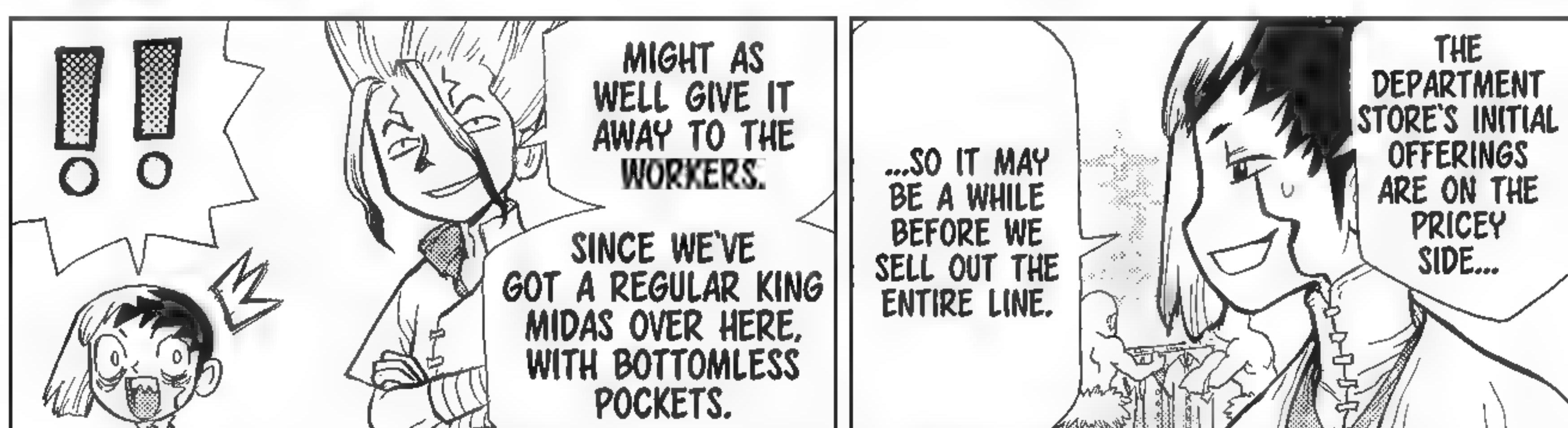
Studded Bracelet—12,000 S

Above:

Blouse—6,900 S

Pullover—4,900 S

Skirt—2,600 S



I WONDER IF
I'M PLAYING
RIGHT
INTO THEIR
HANDS?

HM?



War chest
acquired!!

Side Story

On Japanese New Year's



Z=88: Wings of Humanity



**A
FLYING
MACHINE
?!**

**SAY
WHAAAT
?!**



ARRRRH!

**THERE'S NO
WAY I'M
MISSING
THIS...**

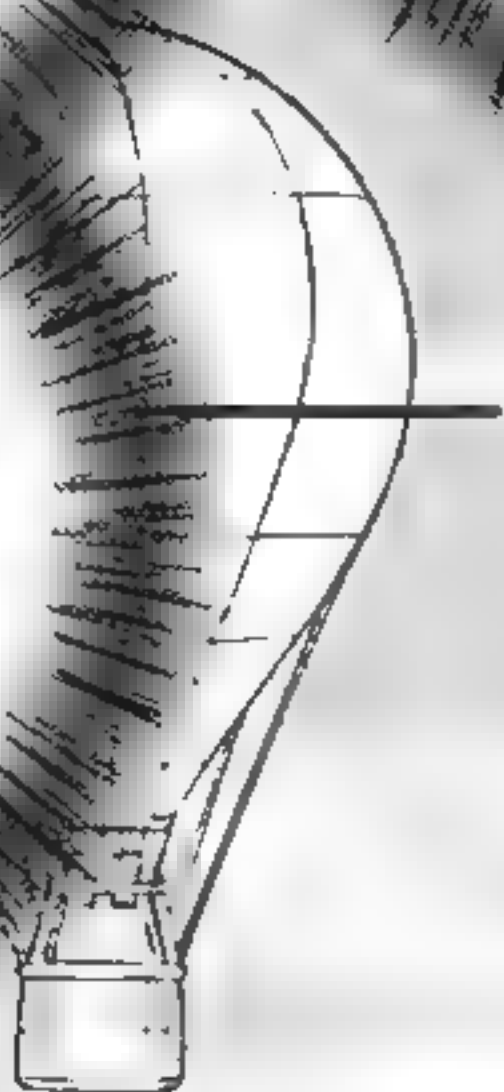
**OH MAN! I WAS
THE ONLY ONE
WHO MISSED OUT
ON THE CAR AND
THE TANK, AND
IF I'M BEING
TOTALLY HONEST,
THAT SUCKED!!**



IF WE EXCEED
100 DEGREES,
WE RUN THE
RISK OF
BURNING THE
HEMP CLOTH...

AT AN
ELEVATION OF
1,000 METERS,
THE TEMP
DROPS TO
MINUS 6.5
DEGREES.

...BUT
THAT SHOULD
TAKE US UP TO
1,500 METERS,
WHICH IS
JUST BELOW
THE JET
STREAM.



IN SHORT,
IF THE
BALLOON'S
RADIUS IS 7.8
METERS...

...WE
CAN CARRY
THREE
PEOPLE!!

...SO
BÄÄÄAD!



$$P = P_0 (1 - \frac{\gamma}{T_0} h)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1}}$$

Air Density

15°C - 90°C

(1.225 kg/m³ at 15°C, 1.217 kg/m³ at 90°C)

IF OUR
BALLOON IS
2,000 CUBIC
METERS...

...AND AIR
TEMPERATURE
IS 15 DEGREES
CELSIUS, THEN
GETTING UP TO
90 DEGREES
WILL LIFT 500
KILOGRAMS.

I
WANNA
FLY...

Z=88: Wings of Humanity





STILL THINK
US MODERN-
TIMERS ARE
USELESS. YOU
PRIMITIVE?!

YOU DON'T
HAVE THE
RIGHT TO
BE SMUG
EITHER!

FWP FWP FWP FWP



MWA HA
HA HA HA!
WHAT'RE
THESE
MODERN-
TIMERS
GOOD FOR,
ANYWAY?!

WHY ARE
YOU SO SMUG,
MAGMA?
YOU'VE DONE
NOTHING...



...SEWING
LEATHER
CLOTHING!

WE'VE
ALL HAD
PLENTY OF
PRACTICE
...

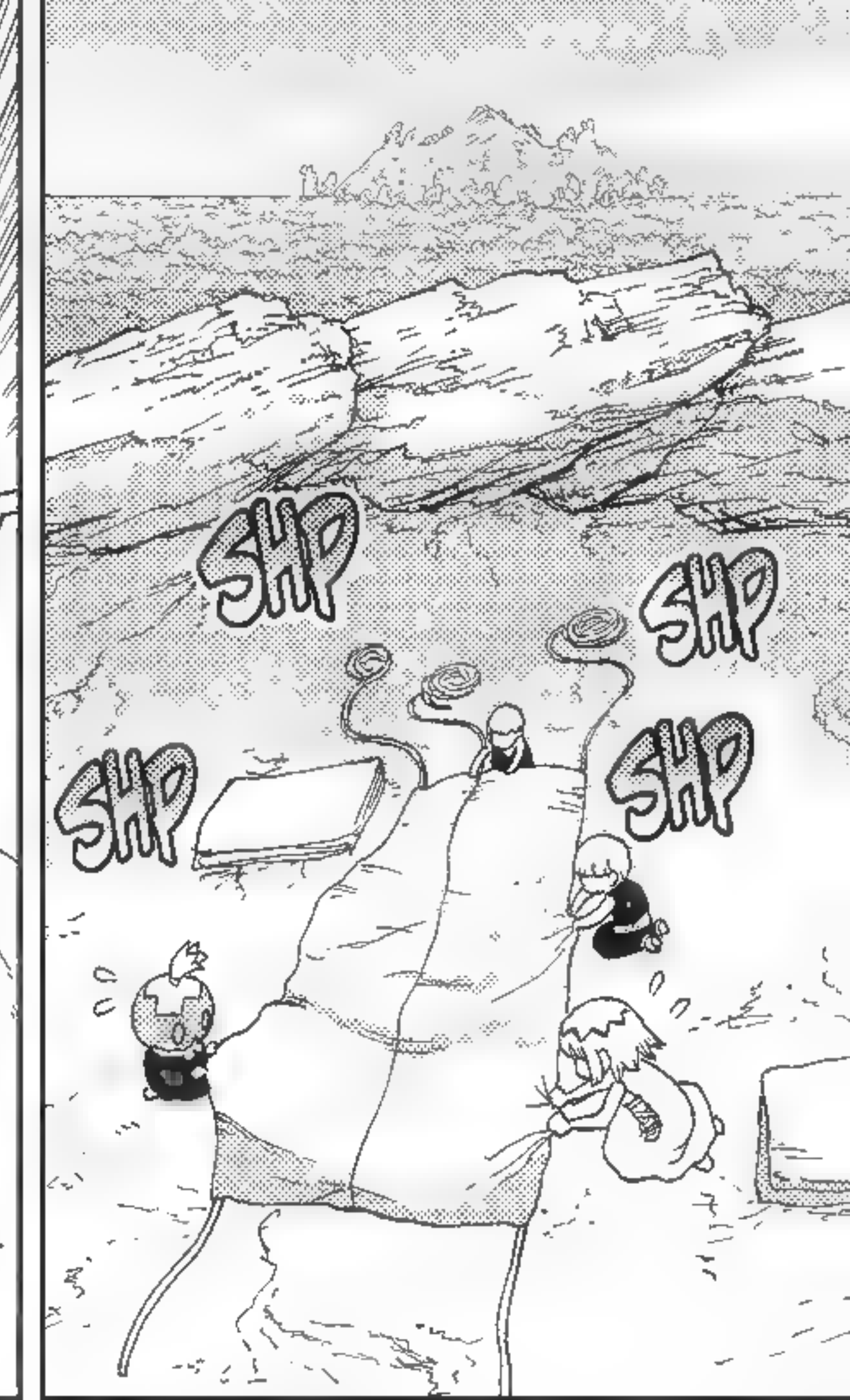
H-HOW'RE
YOU
PRIMITIVES
SO GOOD
AT THIS?

SIF
SIF
SIF

SIF
SIF
SIF

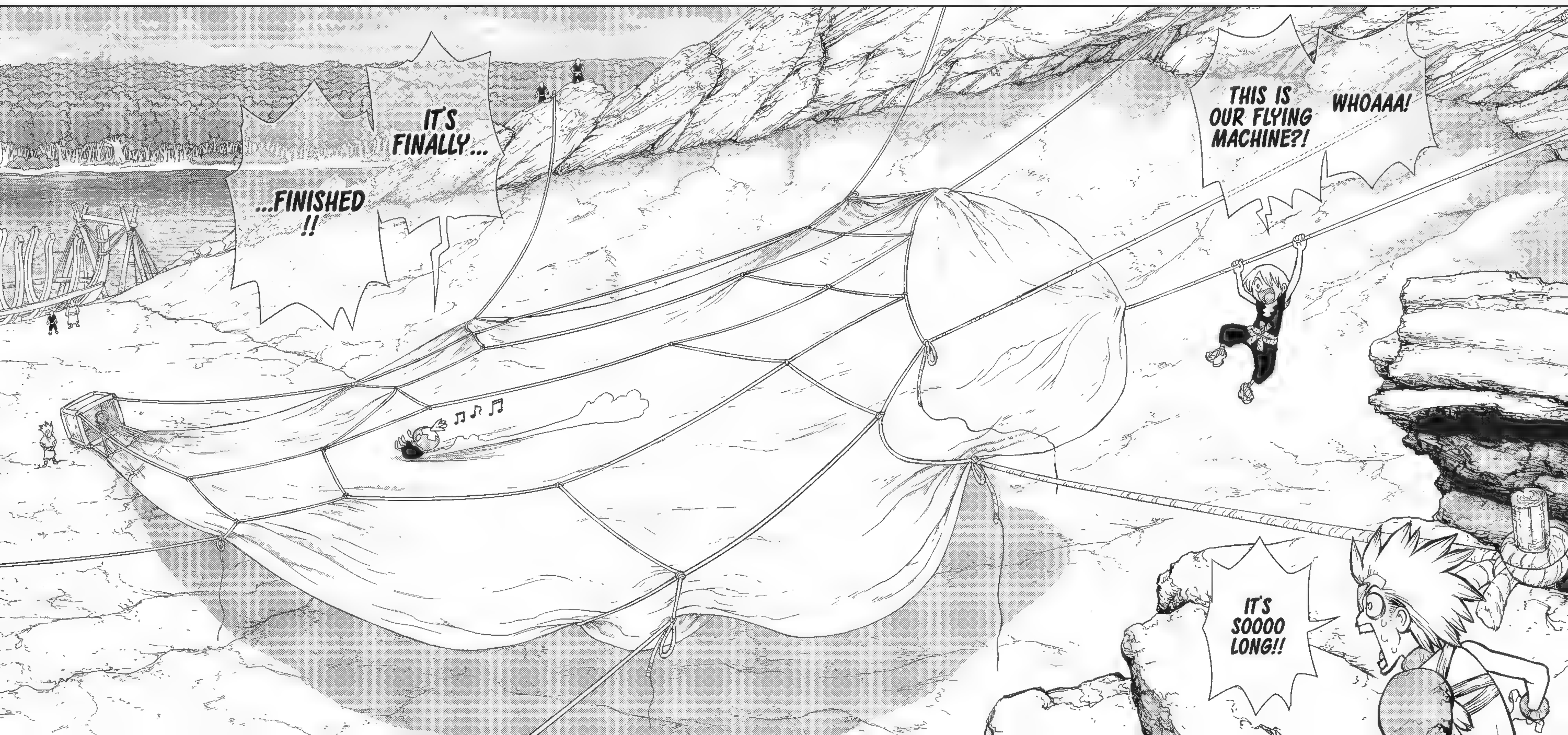


CRAP!
STABBED
MYSELF
AGAIN!!



SHP

SHP



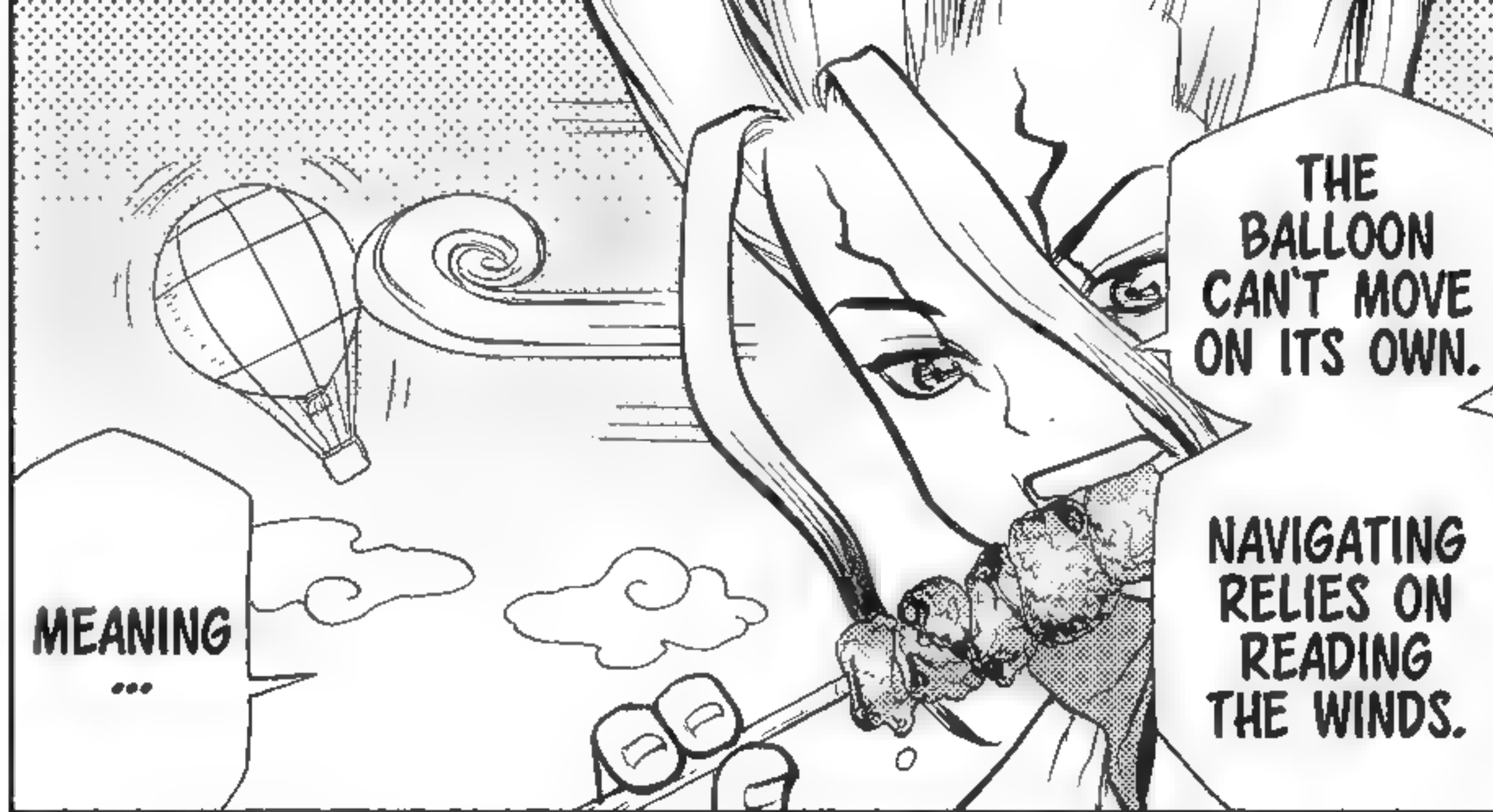
...FINISHED
!!

IT'S
FINALLY...

THIS IS
OUR FLYING
MACHINE?!

WHOOAAA!

IT'S
SOOOO
LONG!!



MEANING ...

THE BALLOON CAN'T MOVE ON ITS OWN.

NAVIGATING RELIES ON READING THE WINDS.



SENKU'S GOTTA BE UP THERE, SINCE HE GETS HOW IT WORKS!

WHICH LEAVES TWO OPENINGS!

SO WHICH THREE OF US WILL RIDE?

I'd rather not.



OH, I GOTCHA. HEY! RYUSUI...

OUR PILOT...

...NEEDS TO BE SOMEONE WHO KNOWS HIS WAY AROUND WIND.

SHH!!



THIS SORT OF WHEELING AND DEALING IS YOUR AREA OF EXPERTISE.

RIGHT ...

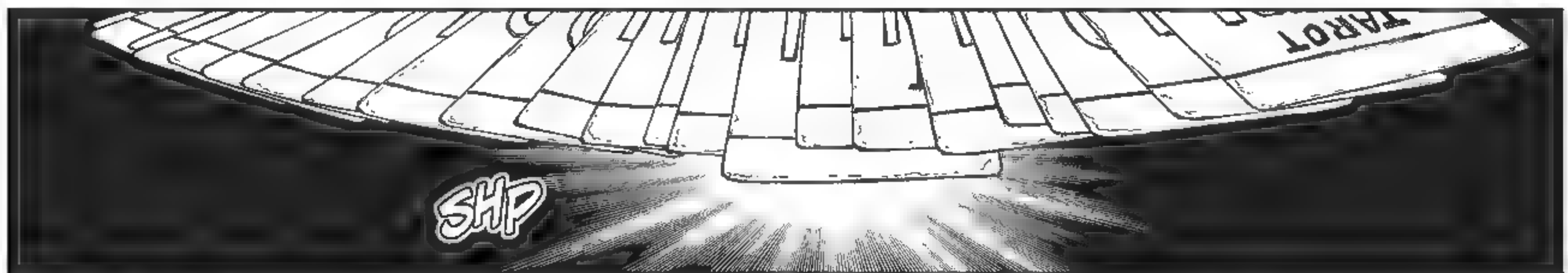
DEAR RYUSUI IS LIKELY TO RIP US OFF AGAIN...

He'll say, "My pilot's reward? 100,000 dragos!"

YOUR DEAL-MAKING LACKS ALL FINESSE!

THE SAME GOES FOR DEAR TAIJU!



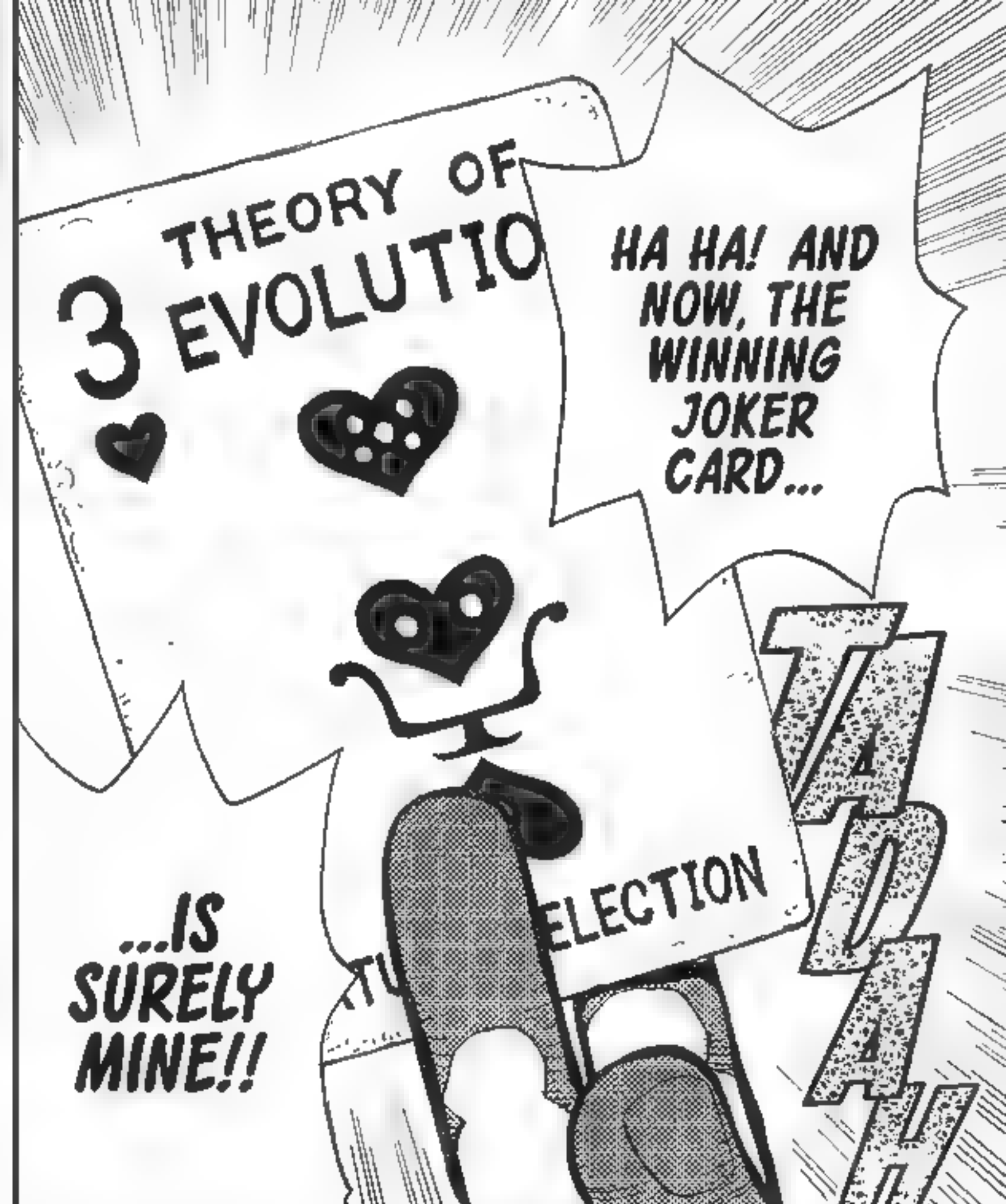




WHEN
PEOPLE
LOSE WHAT
THEY WERE
CONVINCED
THEY HAD...

...THAT'S
WHEN THE LOSS
HITS HARDEST.
PSYCHOLOGICAL
TESTS HAVE
PROVEN AS
MUCH.

JUST AS IN
MATTERS OF
THE HEART.
WELL, ALLOW
ME TO RETEST
THAT THEORY.



THEORY OF
3 EVOLUTION

HA HA! AND
NOW, THE
WINNING
JOKER
CARD...

...IS
SURELY
MINE!!

ELECTION



???

TAROT



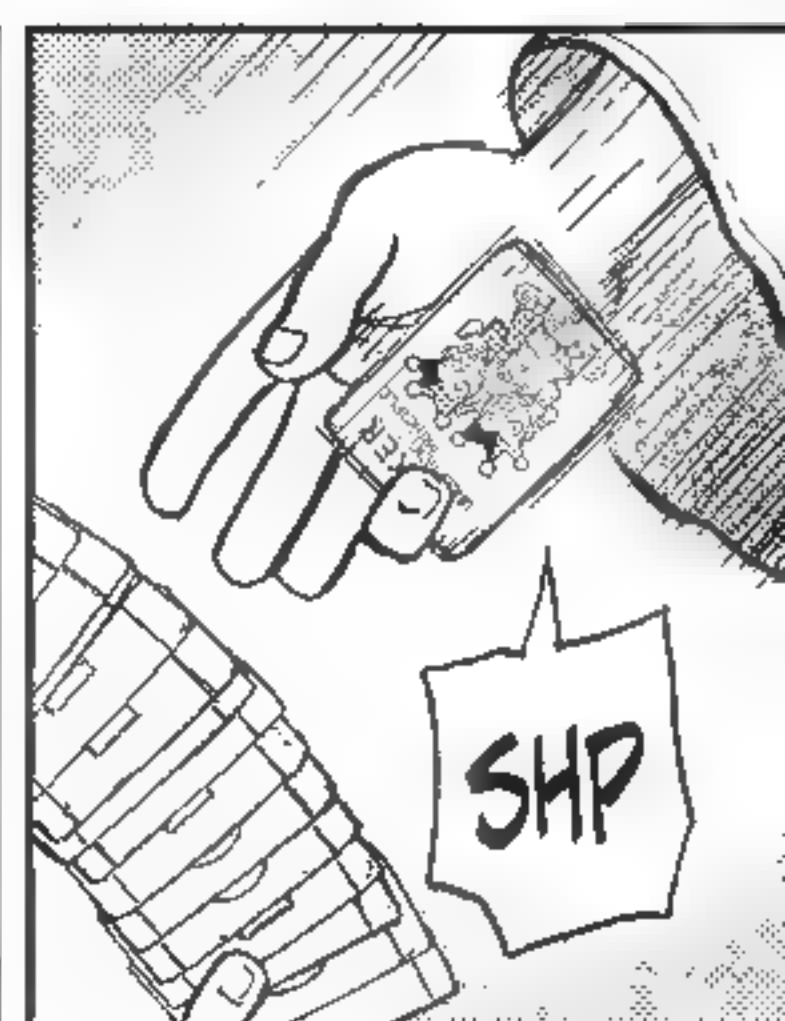
THOUGH
I CAN'T
SAY I'M
THRILLED
ABOUT IT...

WHAT A
SURPRISE?!

FUP

OH!!

OH DARN...
IT SEEMS I
DREW ONE
OF THE
JOKERS.



SHP



I HEAR
YOU, YES,
BUT...

A TICKET
TO RIDE THE
NEW WORLD'S
FIRST-EVER
FLIGHT?

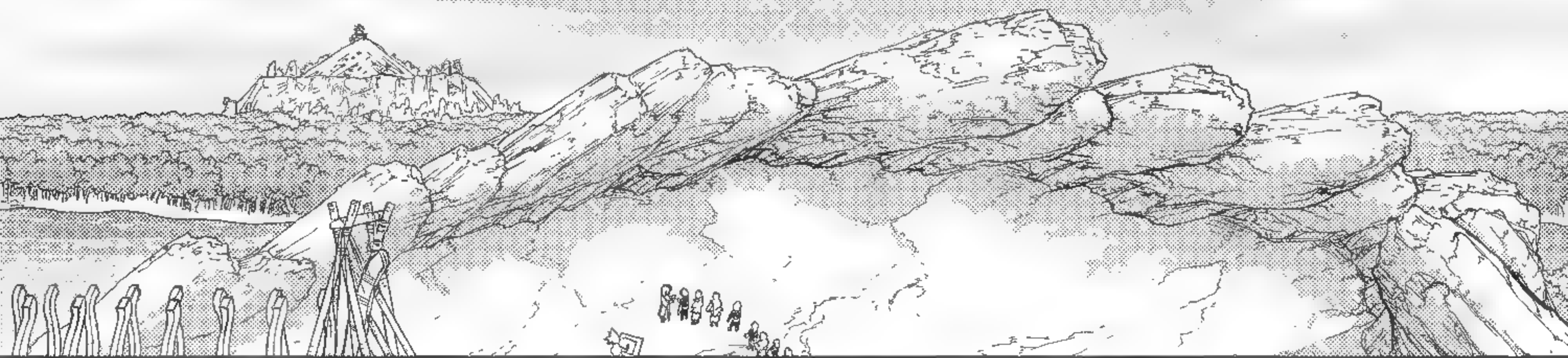
YOU DON'T
WANT IT?
THAT ONCE-
IN-A-LIFETIME
PLATINUM
TICKET?

...I'M
A BIT
SCARED
OF THE
BALLOON.



HM?





THAT'S
ME! RIGHT
HERE!!

DID
SOMEONE
SAY 'BAAAAD
AND EAGER'?

SURE.
LONG AS IT'S
SOMEONE BOLD
AND EAGER, UN-
AFRAID OF THE
OPEN SKIES—

SHOULD
WE REALLY
LEAVE THE
FINAL
SLOT TO
CHANCE?



CHATTER

CHROME!

FROM WAY
OVER IN
ISHIGAMI
VILLAGE?!

YOU RAN
ALL THE
WAY BACK
HERE?!

CHATTER

THIS KID
REALLY
WANTS TO
FLY...



LEMME
DRAW ONE
OF THOSE
CARDS...

...FOR THE
FLYING
MACHINE
LOTTERY!

I'M GONNA
PICK A WINNER
OUTTA SHEER
DETERMINATION
!!





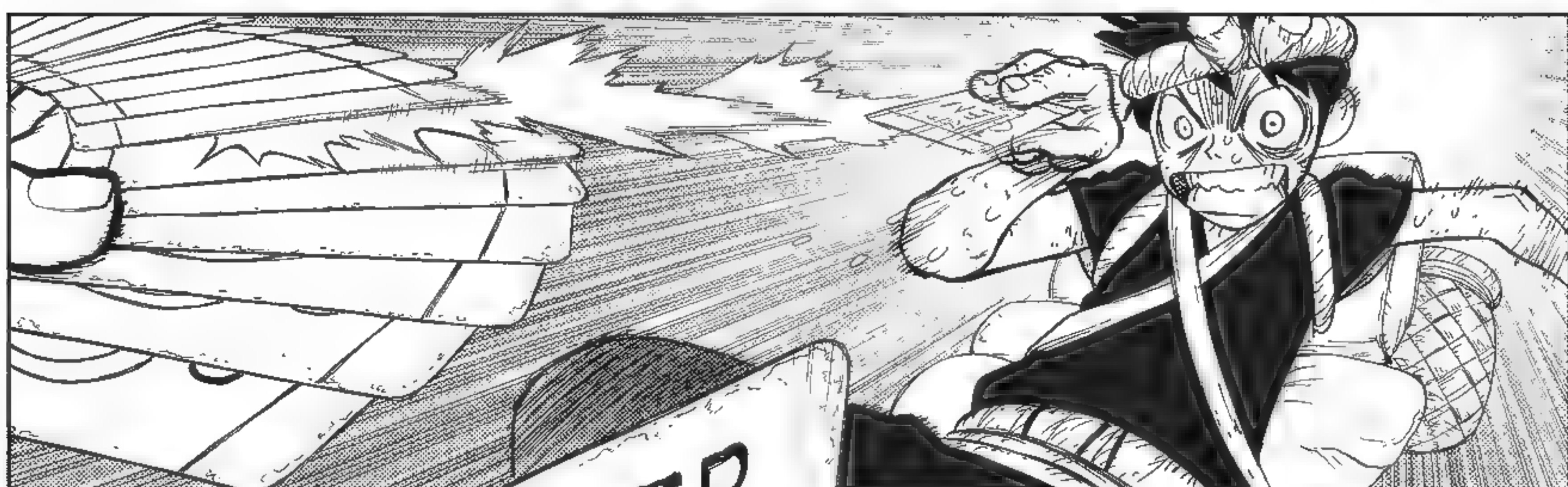
YOU'RE
FORCED TO
MAKE A
SPECIFIC
CHOICE.

IN MAGIC,
THERE'S
A TRICK
CALLED
FORCING.

PICK
A CARD,
ANY
CARD.



SHP



JOKER
UNCERTAINTY
PRINCIPLE

**YESSSS
!!**

**FOR
REAL?**

Y'NEVER KNOW
WHEN LADY
LUCK'S GONNA
BE ON YOUR
SIDE...

...THROUGH
SHEER
DETERMINA-
TION!!

CHROME
REALLY
DID PICK A
WINNER...



AT THAT
SIZE? SHOULD
BE 70 METERS
PER MINUTE.

ASCENDANT
SPEED?

HOW CAN
YOU EVEN
TELL?

I CAN SEE
ALL THE
WINDS UP
THERE.



AND THESE
WINDS
SHOULD GET
US FLYING!

YEAH!!

THE
CONDITIONS
ARE PERFECT
FOR TAKEOFF!!



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FOSH

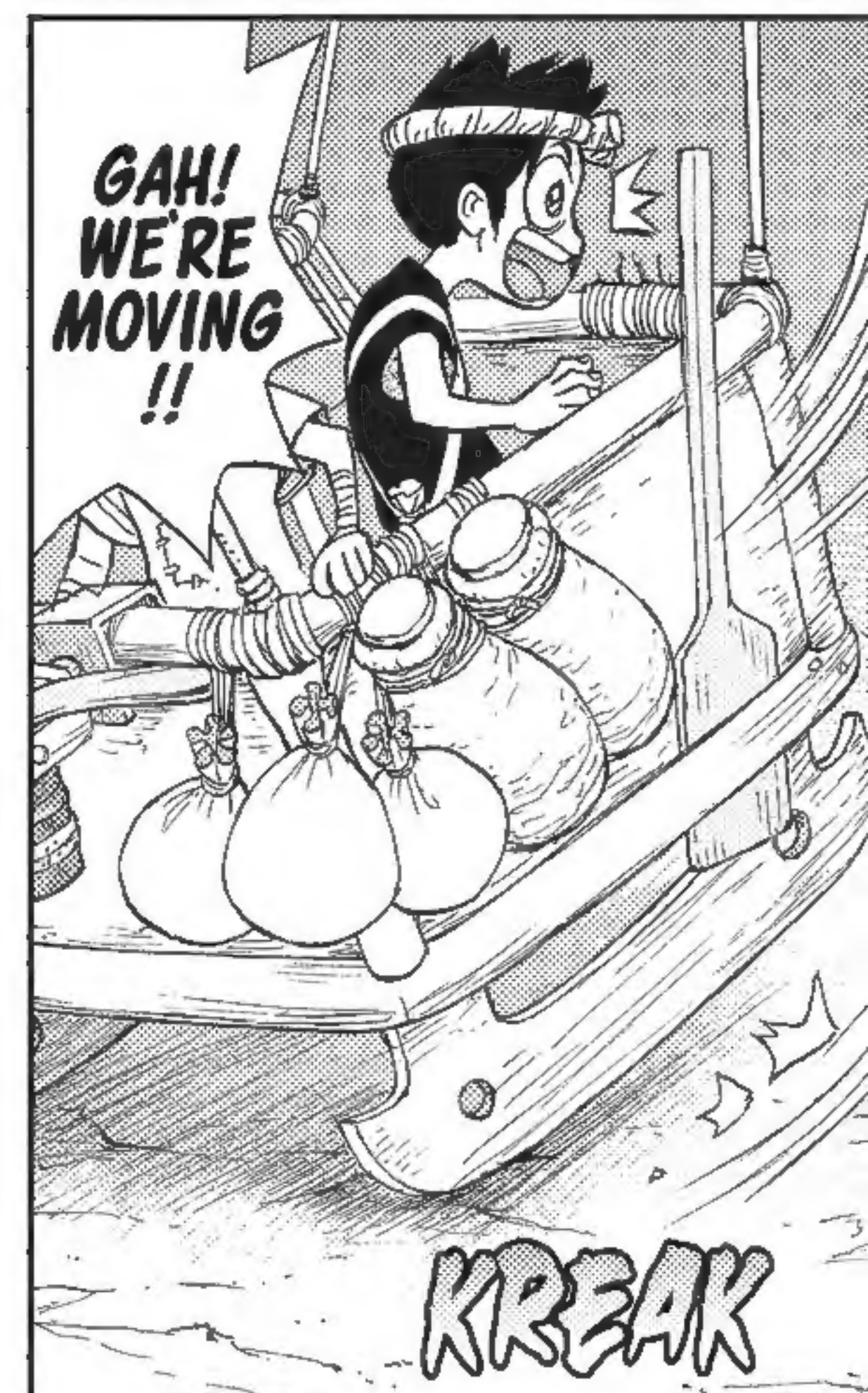
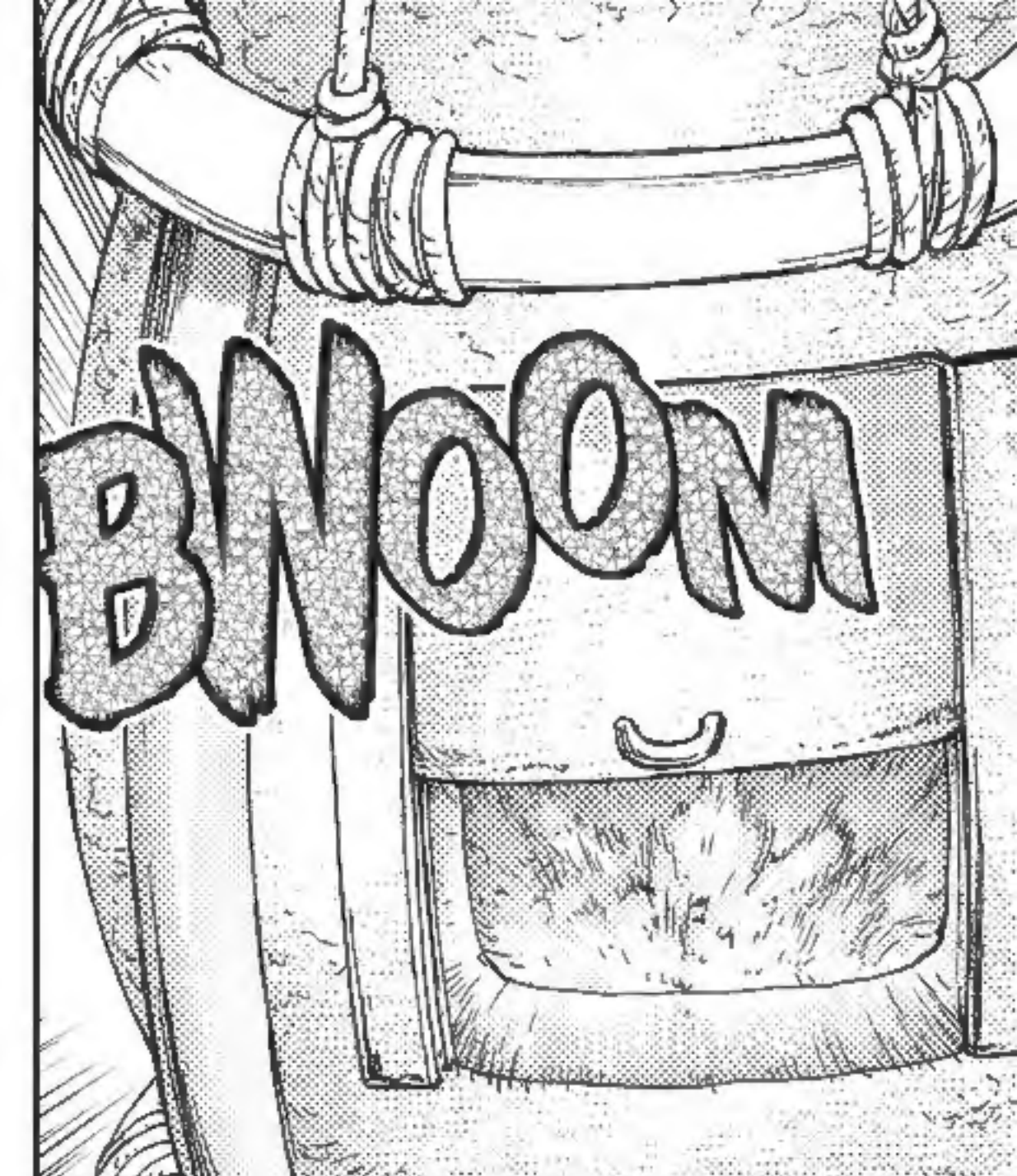
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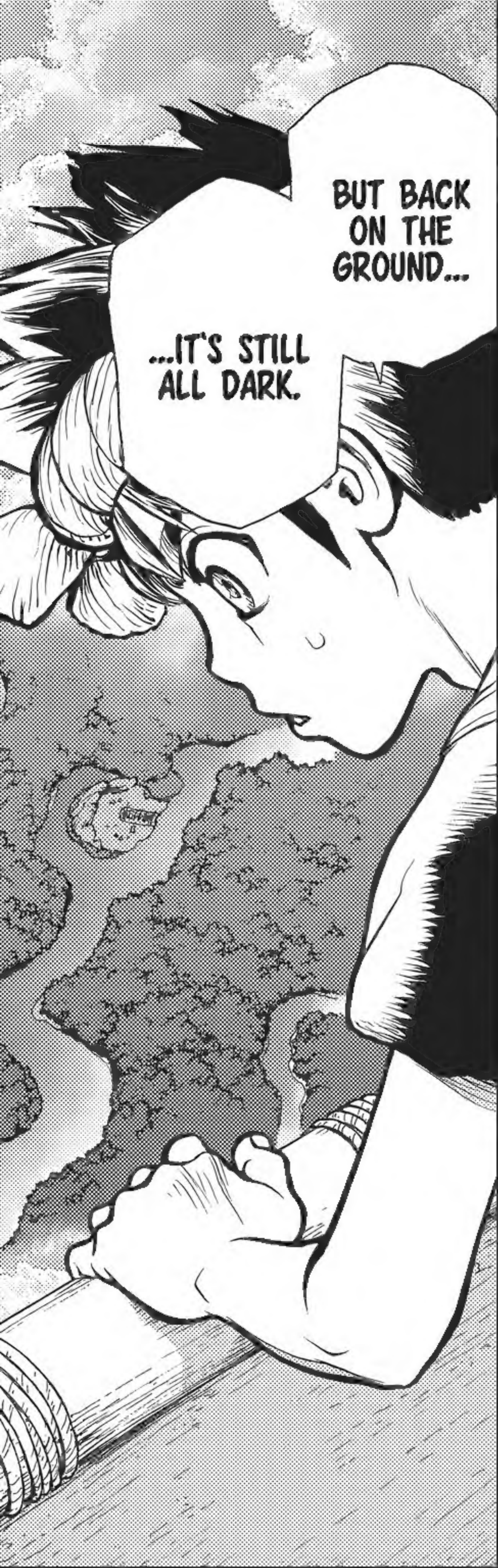
FOSH



...WE HAVE
OUR PILOT
BALLOON.

FILL DEER
GUTS WITH
HYDROGEN.
AND...





BUT BACK
ON THE
GROUND...

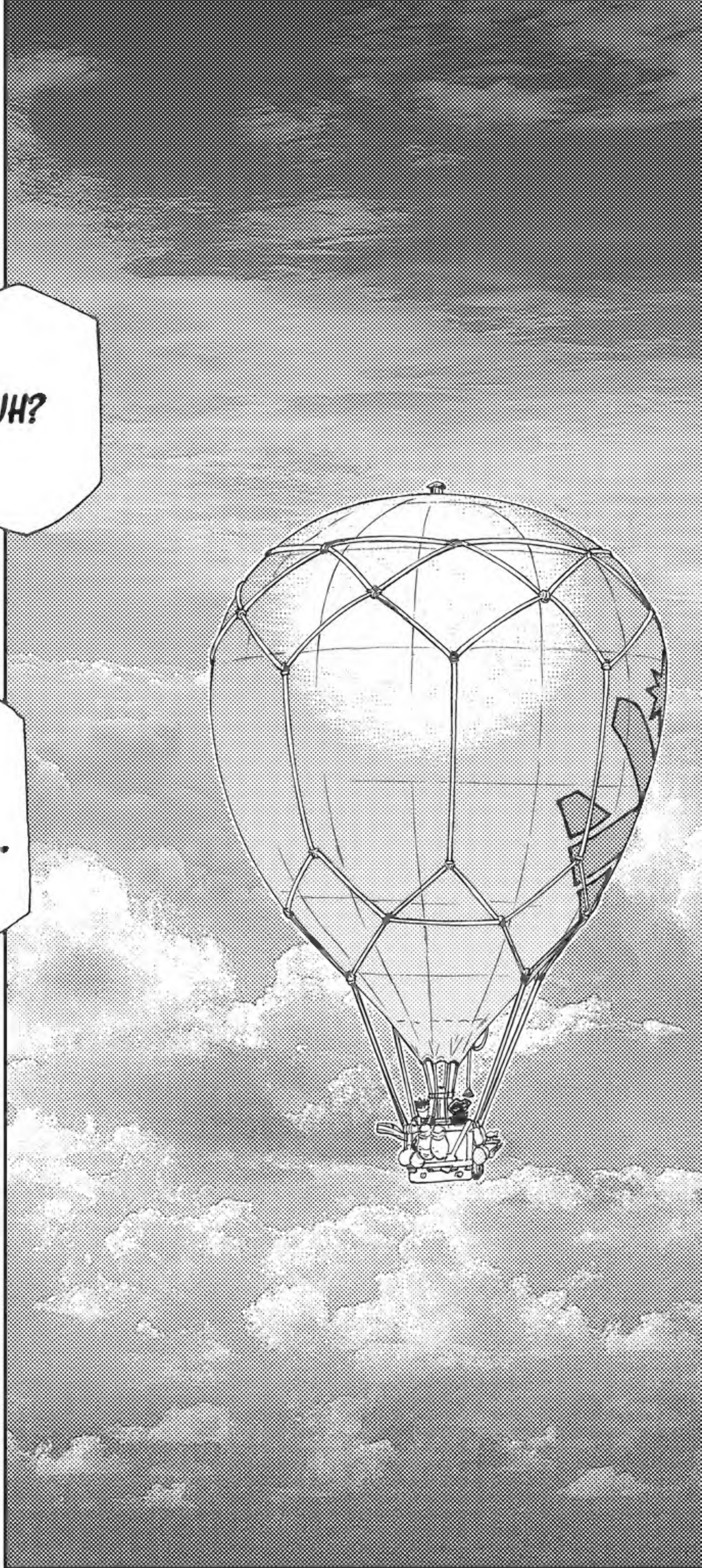
...IT'S STILL
ALL DARK.



HUH?

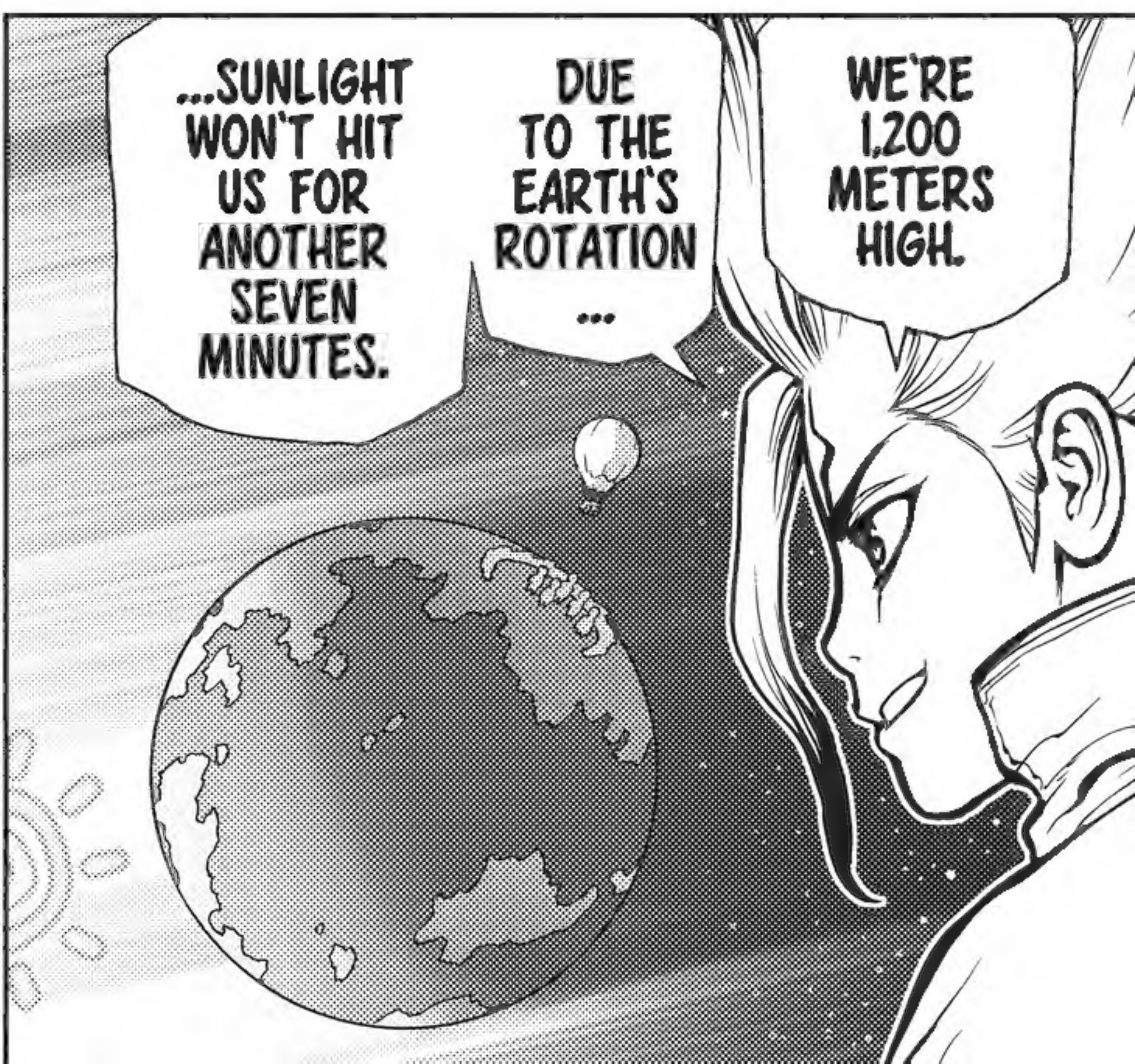
THE
BALLOON...

IT'S
GLOWING!!



THE
EARTH'S
ROUND,
THEN...

IT
REALLY
IS.



...SUNLIGHT
WON'T HIT
US FOR
ANOTHER
SEVEN
MINUTES.

DUE
TO THE
EARTH'S
ROTATION
...

WE'RE
1,200
METERS
HIGH.



**I WANNA
KNOW
EVERYTHING**

**NOW I'VE
SEEN IT
WITH MY
OWN EYES!**

**...ABOUT
THIS
PLANET
OF OURS!**

**BUT I
WANNA
SEE MORE!**



**WHAT'S
REALLY
OVER
THERE?**

**LIKE THE
SOURCE OF
THE BEAM ON
THE OTHER
SIDE OF
THIS ROUND
PLANET.**

**HEH HEH
HEH... THERE'RE
PLENTY OF
UNKNOWN'S I
WANNA TAKE A
LOOK AT, TOO.**



**TAKE A
PEEK AT
THE EARTH
BELOW,
BOYS!!**

**BECAUSE
I'LL GET
YOU THERE,
WITHOUT A
DOUBT.**

**HA HA! I'M
YOUR MAN,
THEN.**



**...IS
OÜRS!!**

**RIGHT
NOW, THIS
WHOLE
WORLD...**



Hot-air balloon
acquired!!

TO BE CONTINUED